

# 1974 — A Leaderless Parade Through Time

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The earth has once more looped the sun, spinning off a remarkable year in which the hope of the Gospel shined brighter against a background of increasing despair.

Scandals, feuding, and resignations rattled the foundations of Western governments; inflation widened the gulf between the haves and have-nots in a global community of 3.8 billion people that increased by 70,000,000 in 1974.

Morally, 1974 skidded: nudity stripped away inhibitions; shame was in shorter supply; heroin usage increased, but alcohol consumption became the number one scourge among

youth. One of every four U. S. marriages ended in divorce as the old tradition of marriage then babies was reversed by teen couples released from precedent.

Fewer American youth considered religion "a very important value." Suicides reached epidemic proportions among youth; starvation took more than 15,000 lives every day.

Recycling of limited resources, begun largely by church groups, caught on in 1974. Victory over smallpox was announced. Christmas tree lights illuminated the car-strangled cities again as the big E turned back from ecology to energy.

Non-religious funerals were a growing trend in 1974. Sexists asked, "Is

God 'He'?" Homosexuals were ordained to the Christian ministry and women confirmed as priests.

The year was a breakthrough for women politicians: 8 were elected to the U. S. House of Representatives; the number of women state legislators increased from 305 in 1969 to 587 in 1974.

TV addiction leveled off as satellite family activities grew more popular. Americans spent \$27.2 billion for booze (\$3.1 million an hour); cigarette smoking increased; the popularity of large families declined; 23 million Americans lived below the "poverty line"; thousands bore witness to "evil spirits"; and 88 per cent of high school students polled believed

public officials were dishonest.

The man who opened the year at the National Prayer Breakfast declaring that "Americans should spend more time listening to what God wants the nation to do rather than telling God what they would like America to be," resigned in disgrace after his situation ethics were uncovered. The new Commander-in-Chief (first in nearly 200 years to be elected without vote of the citizenry) asked the nation to "confirm me with your prayers."

The year opened with 14,000 Christian students on their knees at Urbana, Ill. Young people by the thousands met throughout the year in corn field Jesus rallies and home assem-

blies, eschewing "churchianity" while embracing Christianity. The Senate Joint Resolution 183 called Americans to a "National day of Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer," on April 30.

## Denominations

Church leaders who survived the conflicts of the 1960s headed into new controversies. Missouri-Synod Lutherans clashed over Biblical inspiration; bishops of many denominations complained that young ministers were unwilling to endure humdrum pastoral duties; gift increases of 7.7 per cent were not enough to offset the 9.6 per cent drop in the U.S. dollar's purchasing power; 11 women Episcopalians in Philadelphia shocked their church by performing the Eucharist;

the Vatican tried to squelch a drive to make the Roman Catholic church more democratic; clergy dropouts continued to plague each denomination.

Southern Presbyterians weighed union with other churches at their 114th General Assembly; U. S. Lutherans and Jews met to seek stronger relationships and remove historical barriers; Commissioners of the United Church of Christ approved a plan of union with the Anglican Church of Canada and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

The spotlight on the Charismatics dimmed (some denominations strongly condemned them) but they continued to flourish in 1974. Over-extending (Continued On Page 3)

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### Mississippi Goes Over Budget By \$328,000

Total gifts through the Cooperative Program for Mississippi Baptists exceeded the budget for 1974 by \$328,247, according to a report by Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary - treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

The 1974 budget for the Mississippi Baptist Convention was \$5.5 million, a \$300,000 increase from the year before. Total Cooperative Program receipts through the office of the executive secretary - treasurer for the last year were \$5,828,247.

"The fact that receipts for a 1st year exceeded the budget is highly encouraging," said Dr. Kelly. "It is a demonstration of the love and support that Mississippi Baptists have for missions efforts and people throughout our nation and around the world."

### Baptist Press News Poll

## Integrity Crisis First

NASHVILLE (BP) — Baptist Press reporting of the nation's integrity crisis was voted the top news of 1974, according to a poll released here.

The poll was conducted by Baptist Press, the Southern Baptist Convention news service, among 33 state Baptist newspapers and six BP bureaus around the nation and BP's national office in Nashville.

Based on a system of awarding 10 points for every first place vote down through one point for a 10th place vote, the integrity crisis finished with 219 points on 30 ballots returned out of a possible 42.

The number one story marked a change from the past four years, which have seen stories related to internal Southern Baptist controversy take the number one spot.

Disaster Response  
Southern Baptist disaster response

to hurricanes, tornadoes and hunger around the world drew a second place, collecting 182 points. It barely edged out reporting of leadership turnovers of number one executives, in at least six SBC agencies and several state convention posts, which collected 178 points.

Final report of the much discussed Committee of 15, which conducted a four-year study of Southern Baptist agencies, and Southern Baptist actions on women rounded out the top five, collecting 146 and 140 points respectively.

Voting dropped off noticeably after the sixth spot, which showed 125 points for the charismatic movement among Southern Baptists, and the seventh spot, which showed 121 points for continued Southern Baptist increases in the face of spiraling inflation.

Developments surrounding study of a possible name change for the Southern Baptist Convention ranked eighth, with 92 points, four points ahead of developments in black-white Baptist relations, which included election of a black SBC second vice-president, first black SBC officer in the convention's 129-year history.

After close balloting, 10th place went to an action by the SBC annual meeting in Dallas to name a committee to study the convention's missionary outreach, at home and abroad, over the last 25 years of this century. That study committee represented a compromise which resulted from Committee of 15 recommendations.

Mission Outreach  
Other developments related to mission outreach showed growth on SBC foreign mission fields outstripping growth at home and a prediction the SBC may lose 500 churches in crisis communities during the next decade.

Tabling of a motion at the SBC in Dallas to establish a separate Commission on Evangelism, in order to allow the SBC Home Mission Board to study the status of evangelism in the board's structure, finished 17 points out of the 10th spot.

That action ranked only six points ahead of the latest developments on 1973's number one story, which centered around alleged mismanagement of funds and convention affairs in the Missouri Baptist Convention.

The 1974 version of the Missouri story, which drew 46 points for a 12th place, (Continued On Page 2)

### To Combat Liberalism

## Baptists Urged To Take Stand

WASHINGTON (BP) — Francis Schaeffer, an internationally known evangelical conservative, declared here that "standing against liberalism is part of sharing the holiness of God and the love of God" and said he was praying that Southern Baptists would do "something about it."

"Baptists throughout the world are watching you," he told the annual meeting of state directors of evangelism sponsored by the SBC Home Mission Board. "You are known as Bible believers."

"I would urge you to take the lead" in taking a stand "for the clarity of the Word of God without error everywhere it speaks," Schaeffer said in one of three addresses. "I believe you stand in a place of historic response."

The bearded Presbyterian now operates a retreat center, the L'Abri Fellowship of Cheslenes, Switzerland, which he founded. And he is widely known through his book, "Charter Theological Development through the Centuries," among others. He said discussions through the theological world in the next few years would center around the authenticity of the Scriptures.

Schaeffer said this was the basis of the recent ruptures within the Presbyterian church and the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod fellowships.

He urged the evangelism directors to be concerned about what is being taught in seminaries. "If you are interested in evangelism you must be interested in what the seminaries teach the pastors," he said. Asked if he saw any traces of Neo-

Orthodoxy, of which he said liberalism was a part, in Southern Baptist seminaries, Schaeffer replied: "I think so, but I don't know. I'm not that familiar with those in the States." He said later in an interview that he believed Southern Baptists could overcome the liberalism issue if they

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### Human Relations Workshop Scheduled For Jan. 13-14 At Baptist Building

A Human Relations Workshop is set for Jan. 13 and 14 at the Baptist Building, Jackson, according to an announcement by Dr. Earl Kelly, Executive Secretary - Treasurer, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, and Dr. J. Clark Hensley, Executive Director, Christian Action Commission.

The theme for the workshop will be "Bridge Over Troubled Waters." Joint sponsors with the Commission are the Convention Board, the Dept. of Cooperative



Ministries with National Baptists, Dr. Dick Brogan, Director, and the Cooperative Missions Department, Dr. Foy Rogers, director.

Out - of - state speakers will be Dr. Bill Lawson, Pastor, Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church, Houston, Tex. Dr. Jerry Warmath, Pastor, Pulaski Heights Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas; and Dr. Oscar Romo, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

From within Mississippi, Dr. Kelly will speak on "Southern Baptists in Mississippi as Bridge Builders." Dr. Richard Porter, President, East Mississippi Baptist Convention, will discuss "What National Baptists in

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### January Bible Study Award

Rev. Bryant Cummings, center, director of the Sunday School Department for Mississippi Baptists, receives an award from A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Sunday School Department of the Sunday School Board, for achievement in January Bible Study. Mississippi led the nation in ratio of January Bible Study participants to Sunday School enrollment. Billy Hudgens, associate in the Sunday School Department, is at left.

### 1 To 17 Ratio

## Mississippi Leads Nation With Bible Study Awards

Mississippi Baptists led the nation in January Bible Study awards for the past year, according to a report from the Southern Baptist Convention's Sunday School Board.

All across the nation each year the Sunday School Board promotes Janu-

ary Bible Study, and the denomination's 35,000 churches generally study a selected book of the Bible. Records are kept and awards are made on the basis of percentage participation.

During the last reporting period, Oct. 1 to Sept. 30, Mississippi had the best record in the nation with one person enrolled in January Bible Study for each 17 persons enrolled in Sunday School.

Rev. Bryant Cummings, director of the Sunday School Department for the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, received a plaque from A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Sunday School Department of the Sunday School Board, in recognition of the past year's achievement. The presentation was made in December in (Continued on page 2)

### Mission Action Institutes Will Cover Mississippi

Mission Action Institutes will be held in six Baptist churches across Mississippi beginning Jan. 20 and concluding Jan. 20.

These institutes will be sponsored by the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention in Birmingham, Ala., and the SBC Brotherhood Commission in Memphis.

They will be designed to help individuals, WMU organizations, Brotherhood organizations and churches "to analyze and discover, select and construct, short - range and long - term mission actions through the churches," according to Rev. Elmer Howell, Jackson Brotherhood Department director for the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

"The intent," said Rev. Howell, "is to involve all mission related leadership of our churches."

The institutes will begin at 7 p.m. Jan. 20 at First Baptist Church, Tupelo. Each of the conferences will have two sessions with the second at Tupelo coming at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 21.

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## Association Teachers Will Train At Area Meetings

Two area faculty training meetings for selected associational Sunday School leaders will be held Jan. 27 and 28 at the First Baptist churches of Grenada and Hattiesburg.

The program for the two meetings will be the same with the Jan. 27 meeting to be in Grenada and the Jan. 28 meeting to be in Hattiesburg.

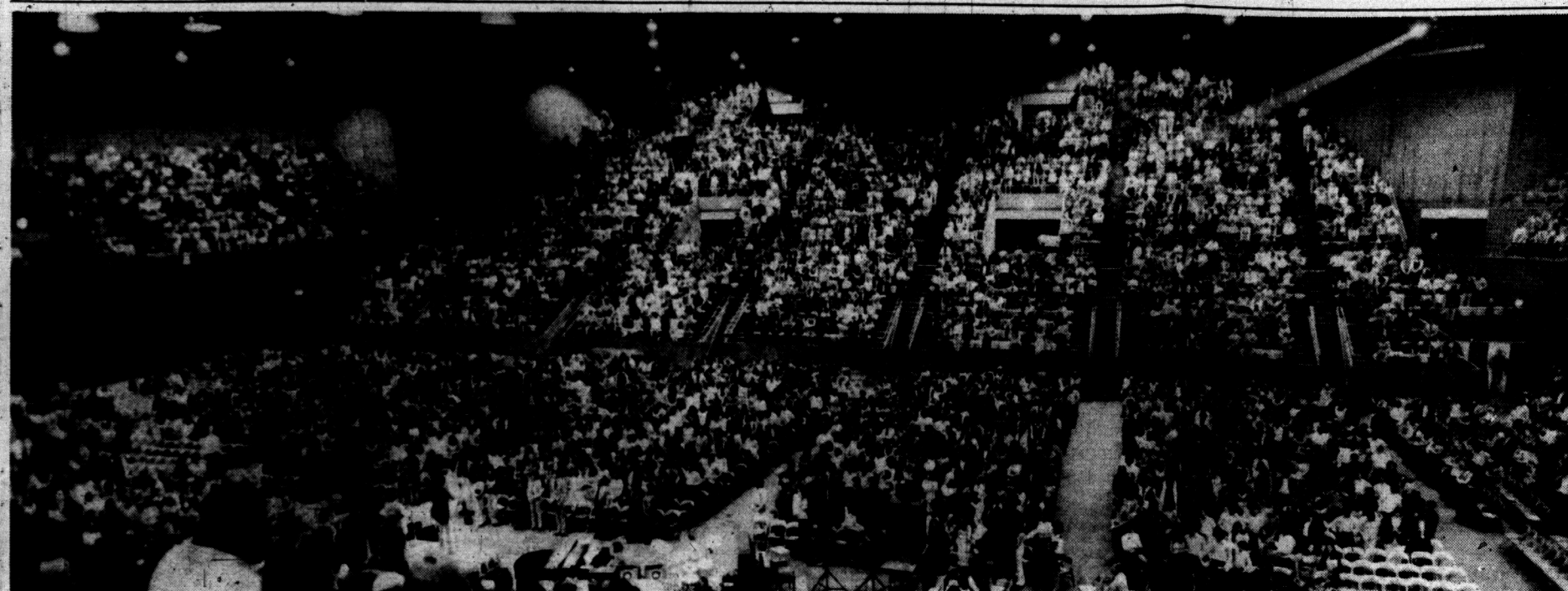
The aim of these faculty training meetings is to offer guidance and conference suggestions for teachers in the associations. These in turn will return to local associations to teach the new Sunday School Administration books and the mentally re-

lated book in association training schools in the spring, it was pointed out by Bryant Cummings, director of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board Sunday School Department.

Six people should be selected to be trained from each association. Sessions will begin at 9:30 a.m. and at 2:30 p.m. at each church.

Thelma Williamson, associate in the Sunday School Department in Jackson, will teach the preschool book, Working with Preschoolers at Church. Leon Castle, Nashville, Sunday School Board consultant, will teach the children's book, Working with Children.

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Some 8,000 Mississippi Baptist Young People and their leaders gathered at Mississippi Coliseum Dec. 30 to hear Larry Walker, Dallas evangelist,

challenge them to be better church members by exhibiting more love one toward another.

### Youth Night

## 8,000 Young People Hear Description Of Church

Larry Walker, of Dallas, Texas told some 8,000 Mississippi Baptist young people Dec. 30 in the Mississippi Coliseum that "the church is not composed of perfect individuals, but those who are united in Christ, joined together in strength and weakness, giving and taking, caring and sharing and dependent on each other."

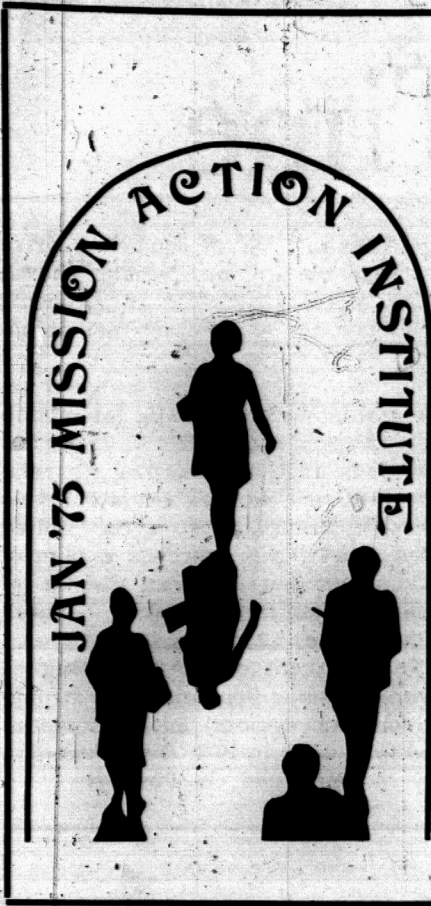
Mr. Walker, widely known evangelist of First Church in Dallas, the largest in the Southern Baptist Convention, speaking at the annual Convention youth night service, continuing, said:

"eggs, but he can make a beautiful omelet!"  
"The church is not made up of 'good' people, but of 'bad' people, who have confessed it, found forgiveness in Christ, witnessing and as beggars telling other beggars where to find bread."

Love All The More  
"We need each other. I cannot cast out my brother in his area of weakness. Rather, I must love him all the more. I must share whatever strength God has given me with that one—and

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Oakhurst Baptist Church, Clarksdale, will host the institute at the same times on Jan. 21 and 22. The meetings at North Greenwood Baptist Church, Greenwood, will be one day only, at 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Jan. 23.

The two-day sessions will again be in effect with meetings at 7 p.m. and 9:30 a.m. on Jan. 27 and 28 at First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs and Jan. 28 and 29 at First Baptist Church, Laurel.

First Baptist Church, Wiggins, will host the institute on Jan. 30 at 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Woman's Missionary Union personalities to be participating from Birmingham, Ala., are Adrienne Bonham, Evelyn Blount, and Micky Martin. From Memphis, Tenn., the Brotherhood Commission participants will be Ben Connell, Charles Doggett, and Lee Holloway.

Leadership conferences will be held for those working with adults, young people, and children in both the Woman's Missionary Union and the Brotherhood in the local churches.

## Annuity Board Trustees To Meet In Dallas, Feb. 3-5

Trustees of the Southern Baptist Convention Annuity Board will look over the investment picture for 1975 when they hold their annual meeting in Dallas, Feb. 3-5.

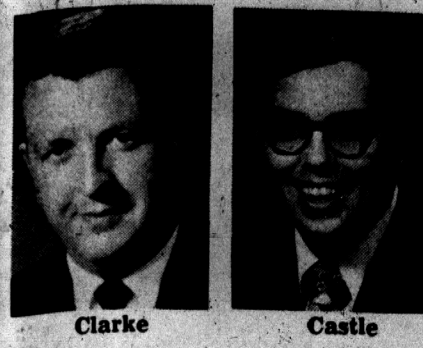
Albert H. Cox, Jr., executive vice president and chief economist for Lionel D. Edle and Co., New York City, will speak on "Investment Scene Overview - 1975."

Cox is also senior economic advisor to Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, parent company of Edle.

The Edle Co. is one of six investment managers for the common stock portfolio of the Annuity Board, according to Darold H. Morgan, Annuity Board president.

Morgan will discuss with trustees other current issues pertaining to the Annuity Board. This will include, on the national scene, Congressional legislation on pensions.

Mississippi trustees of the Annuity Board are Claude Anthony, Jackson, and William A. Crabill, Marks.



Clarke



Castle



Waldrup



Vaughn

## Association Teachers Will Train At Area Meetings

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The book for youth, *Working with Youth*, will be taught by Tom Clark of Nashville, the editor of youth materials for the Sunday School Board. For adults the teacher will be Earl Waldrup of Nashville, supervisor for the adult section of the Sunday School Board, teaching *Working with Adults*. The general officers' book will be *Working in Sunday School* to be taught by Chester Vaughn of Nashville, consultant in general field services for the Sunday School Board. Evelyn George of Jackson, associate in the Church Training Department, will teach the mentally retarded book, *A Church Ministry to Retarded Persons*.

The new Sunday School Administration books are to be released Jan. 1.

## Found At The Coliseum

Following state-wide Youth Night at the Coliseum in Jackson, Monday, December 30, several lost articles were found. Some have already been claimed. One object still on hand is a bracelet. If you lost a bracelet at the Coliseum, call or write the Sunday School Department, Box 530, Jackson, MS 39205 (phone 354-3704), giving a description of your property.

## Baptists Urged To Take Stand

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When asked to define liberalism—of which he considers Neo-Orthodoxy a part—Schaeffer said, "The real issue is if one believes the Bible gives us factual truth about God; or whether the Bible grew up as a cultural expression of the writer's day." "Does the Bible give truth down and from God—or is it the feeling of man upward during his own time and culture?"

Schaeffer said he sees evangelicalism moving particularly toward a focused debate on the "historical nature of the first half of the book of Genesis." "This time the debate will be among those claiming the Evangelical name. Before it was primarily between evangelicals and those not of the Evangelical stance."

**TIBERIAS, Israel** — Three Baptist leaders were reelected to positions on the executive committee of the United Christian Council in Israel during the council's 18th annual session. Delegates from the 19 member-bodies elected Southern Baptist missionary Robert L. Lindsey as chairman, an office he held from 1967 to 1969.

# Integrity Crisis First

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place finish, reported a harmonious reorganization of the Missouri Convention to solve the difficulties.

Only one editor wrote in a story on his ballot, giving a first place vote to a continued trend toward conservatism in the SBC.

Developments surrounding the integrity crisis included the Watergate tragedy, Nixon's resignation, Ford's inauguration and call for public morality and prayer, Ford's pardon of Nixon, Ford's address to Southern Baptists at a Brotherhood Commission-sponsored breakfast in Dallas, and reactions of religious leaders to all these events.

Wide ranging Southern Baptist response to disaster included not only response to tornados in the States, Bangladesh, and Honduras, but also a growing recognition and response to the world hunger crisis.

**Heated Responses**  
The Committee of 15 study and final

report — which drew strong, and often heated responses from SBC agencies — referred "areas of concern," which the committee explored during its four years, to the agencies.

Only two items from the Committee of 15, a subcommittee of the SBC Executive Committee, were brought to the 1974 convention — the mission study committee proposal and a proposal to appoint another committee to study the Executive Committee itself. That other committee was, additionally, given the responsibility of studying an SBC name change. Both items were approved.

In previous years the SBC soundly defeated another recommendation, which the Executive Committee brought to the convention's annual session from the Committee of 15. That involved a proposal to abolish the SBC Stewardship Commission and put its work under the Executive Committee.

The developments surrounding women in the SBC involved a mixed bag. The SBC in Dallas, responding to Mrs. Richard Sappington of Houston for the second straight year, voted down a statement on freedom of women and a proposal to have a quota of women on SBC boards and agencies. The Oklahoma convention went on record in opposition to ordination of women.

But several Southern Baptist churches ordained women to the ministry and the District of Columbia Convention called for ordination of women on an equal basis with men.

In other actions, the Association of Southern Baptist Colleges and Schools called for equal rights for women in Southern Baptist schools, the Virginia Convention voted to give women equal pay for equal work; a woman succeeded to the Florida Convention presidency and a Southern Baptist woman educator called for a task force on women.

## Church-State Top Ten Stories Selected By Americans United

**SILVER SPRING, Md. (RNS)** — Defeat of a "parochialism" bill by Maryland voters in a referendum was ranked as the "top church-state story of the year" by Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

A top 10 list, selected by analysts of Americans United, was released by the organization's headquarters.

Tenth on the list was the U. S. Supreme Court's refusal to restore Americans United's tax-exempt status, which had been revoked by the Internal Revenue Service in 1969.

Following is the list of top church-state stories for 1974 as cited by the agency:

"1. On November 5, by a margin of nearly 57 per cent to 43 per cent, Maryland voters rejected a state law to divert \$9.7 million annually to parochial and private schools."

"2. The U. S. Supreme Court and

other federal and state courts continued their crackdown on tax aid for parochial schools."

"3. Four Roman Catholic cardinals, in an action unprecedented in the country's history, appeared at a U. S. Senate hearing to demand that the Constitution be amended to impose their views on all citizens on the question of freedom of choice on abortion."

"4. In May, voters in Italy solidly turned back a Vatican attempt to repeal the country's modest divorce law."

"5. President Ford reiterated his support for tax aid for parochial schools, despite Supreme Court rulings against such aid."

"6. State aid for sectarian colleges was ruled unconstitutional in Tennessee and Nebraska, partially outlawed in Kansas, and upheld in Maryland

and Kentucky."

"7. U. S. Senator Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) introduced a bill in Congress to deny public school children and parents legal protection against government imposed devotional activities."

"8. Advocates of parochialism and government-sponsored religion stepped up their attacks on the religious neutrality of public schools."

"9. A concerted movement developed to label as 'anti-Catholic' even legitimate criticism of Catholic hierarchy policies adversely affecting religious liberty and public institutions."

"10. Americans United lost one bid before the Supreme Court, for technical reasons, to restore the tax-exempt status improperly revoked by the Internal Revenue Service in 1969."

## World Crisis Challenge To Churches Rated No. 1 News Story By RNS

**NEW YORK (RNS)** — The challenge to religion to offer moral leadership in solving the interrelated world problems of hunger, energy, population, and inflation was the top religious news story of 1974.

Controversy over the irregular ordinations of 11 Episcopal women ranked second.

The 10 top stories, chosen by the news and photo staffs of Religious News Service, were:

1. Moral challenge to religion to respond to the needs of humanity in a world of crisis brought on by food and energy shortages, population growth, and inflation.

2. Ordination of 11 Episcopal women deacons and the denominational and ecumenical implications.

3. Evangelization — theme of the 1974 Synod of Roman Catholic Bishops; a massive evangelical congress in Lausanne, Switzerland; the World Methodist Council; and numerous locally-based groups.

4. Acceleration of Middle East tensions with Arab terrorist attacks and Israeli military reprisals; unsteady course of peace efforts; arrest of Melkite Catholic Archbishop Capucci of Jerusalem by Israel; Palestine Liberation Organization recognized at United Nations.

5. (tie)  
a) Religious protests to human rights violations in South Korea, the Philippines, Chile, Brazil, and Soviet Union.

b) Coup in Portugal, leading to freeing of colonies in Africa and start of dramatic shifts in white-ruled southern Africa.

6. Diverse religious concern over patriotic-spiritual tone of U.S. national morality as related to Watergate and Nixon resignation; West Virginia textbook conflict; Wounded Knee trials; abortion; amnesty-clemency for draft resisters.

7. Mother Elizabeth Seton designated first U. S. Catholic saint.

8. Dissension intensified in Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod.

9. Installation of Dr. Donald Coggan as Archbishop of Canterbury, head of world Anglican communion.

10. Lutheran-Catholic theologian agreement on papal primacy.

Other developments and events placing high were:

—The Exorcist, the film and its repercussions.

—Dr. Lawrence Bottoms first black Moderator of Presbyterian Church, U. S. (Southern).

—Discussion of the future of U. S. foreign missions as a result of inflation and views of Third World Christians.

—Collapse of coalition government in Northern Ireland.

—Continuing growth of charismatic movement.

—Vatican detente policy with Communist countries; Cardinal Mindszenty out as primate of Hungary.

—Divorce and remarriage issue for Catholics.



## Missionary Praises

### Cooperative Program

Dear Cooperative Program,

I chose to write to you because you and I share the same year as our birth year. Thank you for being the support of our missionary endeavor.

G.A.'s are taught to tell the missionaries that they do not expect an answer to their letters, so sometimes we get letters saying, "We are praying for you, but we do not expect an answer." However, I do expect an answer from you, and I have full confidence that you can be depended on.

I expect our salary to come every month, and you have never even been late with that during the nineteen years we have been depending on you. Besides salary, money is expected for the weekly radio broadcast, for the student work at the University, for literature and tracts and for other missionary expenses. Because of you, my mind is relieved from the concern of money to be released to God for his work.

Congratulations on your fiftieth anniversary and be assured of my prayers and that I do expect an answer. Mrs. L. Parkes Marler, Guam.

## MBREA Plans Annual Meeting Feb. 6-8 In Biloxi

"God's Way . . . Fully Equipped" will be the theme of the Mississippi Baptist Religious Education Association's annual meeting to be held at the Sheraton - Biloxi, February 6, 7, and 8.



Guy

The meeting will begin Thursday afternoon at 2 and end Saturday at 11:30 a.m. Dr. Cal Guy, a professor of missions at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, will be guest speaker at three sessions — Thursday night, Friday morning, and Saturday morning. Dr. Guy, who was pastor in Tennessee and Texas before becoming a professor in 1946, is author of the book, *Church Growth and Christian Mission*. He was born in Tennessee and graduated from Union University and later earned a doctorate in theology at Southwestern.

He and his wife, the former Terrye Maddox, have two children. Dan McBride, widely known humorist, musician, and preacher, will be the speaker for the banquet on Friday evening and will also bring a message during the Saturday morning session.

Others on program will include Walter Bennett, consultant, church ministries section, Church Administration Department, Baptist Sunday School Board; June Whitlow, assistant executive secretary, Woman's Missionary Union, SBC, Birmingham; Bob Banks, executive assistant for planning and promotion, Brotherhood, SBC, Memphis; Jimmy Dunn, Church Training growth coordinator, Church Training Department, BSSB; and James W. Chatham, consultant, general field services, Sunday School Department, BSSB.

Current officers of the Mississippi Baptist Religious Education Association are Dale Oden, president (Morrison Heights Church, Clinton); Marian Seward, vice-president (Alta Woods Church, Jackson); Marilyn Hopkins, secretary-treasurer (associate, Mississippi WMU); and A. V. Windham, chorister (Temple, Hattiesburg).

## SBC Business Officers Conference, Set For Dallas Mar. 12-14, '75

Church business administrators will be meeting with the Business Officers Conference, SBC, in Dallas, at the Annuity Board, on March 12-14, 1975.

Some of the subjects to be discussed are developing and Promoting a Budget, How to Win for the Whole Staff, Do Pay for Yourself Programs Pay?, and Purchasing and Maintenance.

## Mississippi Leads Nation With Bible Study Awards

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Nashville.

Billy Hudgens, associate in the Sunday School Department of the Convention Board, said: "Pastors are responsible for this award. Our pastors believe in and teach the Bible. January Bible Study had become one of the main features in every church's calendar. We appreciate what our pastors are doing in this area."

Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary-treasurer of the Convention Board, also complimented the state's pastors and other Sunday School leaders. He said, "Bible teaching both from the pulpit and in the classroom helps to keep our Baptist work

in Mississippi active and strong and brings honor to our Lord."

Hudgens urged churches to be sure reports are made on their January Bible Study participation so that Mississippi could stay on top in that effort.

Nine area January Bible Study previews were held this year to help pastors prepare to teach Acts, which is the January Bible Study book for 1975. More than 340 pastors attended these previews.

Preview study for 1976 will be held on the campus of Mississippi College on Nov. 18, 1975. Mississippi College and the Sunday School Department are working together on this project.



## Newsbriefs In The World Of Religion

**LOS ANGELES (RNS)** — The Rev. George Ogle, a United Methodist missionary, was forced to leave his wife and four children behind when he was ousted by South Korea for criticizing the regime of President Park Chung Hee.

**CHARLOTTE, N. C. (RNS)** Charles Crutchfield, president of Jefferson Pilot Broadcasting and WBT, Heister-son Productions, told a presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern) that a ban on televised advertising of beer and wine would increase the volume of such advertising in the print media.

**SEATTLE (RNS)** — Ted Patrick, self-styled "deprogrammer" of young people in religious cults, has been found innocent of charges that he kidnapped Kathie Crampton, a member of the "Love Family" sect, here in 1973. U. S. District Court Judge Walter T. McGovern said the key question was whether Mr. Patrick had any justification for taking the girl away from the "Love Family" whose environment, according to her parents' charge, was causing Kathie physical and mental harm.

**WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)** — Bishop William Creighton, head of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, has summoned a "Board of Presenters" to initiate an inquiry concerning an excommunicated service at an Episcopal church here officiated by one of the 11 women ordained "invalidly" as priests in July.

**HUNTINGTON, Ind. (RNS)** — More than three-fourths of the respondents to a poll taken by Our Sunday Visitor, a national Roman Catholic news magazine published here, said they favored a return — in some way — to Latin in the Catholic liturgy, according to OSV editor, Dick Schelber.

**PRINCETON, N. J. (RNS)** — Forty per cent of the U. S. adult population attended church or synagogue in a typical week in 1974, the same level reported in three previous years, the Gallup-Poll reported here.

**JACKSON, Miss. (RNS)** — After six months of preparation, through discussions among pastors, parish councils and members of Roman Catholic parishes here, a special eight week "Operation SHARE" campaign will be launched Jan. 12 in an effort to reach almost 500,000 residents not having church ties.

## Human Relations . . .

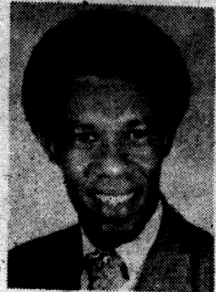
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Mississippi are Doing to Build Bridges; Senator Charles Pickering of Laurel will speak to "The Role of the Legislator in Building Bridges Over Troubled Water;" Commissioner Max Cole of Jackson will define the welfare programs in Mississippi; and Frank Dowling, Jr., University Medical Center, will speak on "How Christian Athletes are Building Bridges."

Dr. Macklyn Hubbell, Pastor of First Church, Cleveland, will speak on "The Church and the Released Offender;" Dr. Rogers on "Juvenile Delinquency and Models for Rehabilitation in Mississippi;" Dr. Brogan, on "From Paternalism to Fraternism;" and Dr. Hensley on "Concerned Christian Citizens in Government."

Among the reactors to the various subjects treated will be Dr. Charles Myers, Jackson; Dr. S. L. Bowman, Jackson; Mr. Ray Joe, Greenwood; Rev. Thomas Nickey, Conehatta; Rev. James Yates, Yazoo City; Mrs. Nancy Gilbert, Jackson; Rev. Casey Holmes, Columbia; and Rev. Glen Williams, McComb.

Opportunity will be given for dialogue and questions throughout the program. Any interested Mississippians is invited and pastors of Southern and National Baptist Churches are especially urged to attend. "The ministry of reconciliation will be a recurrent theme," according to Dr. Hensley. "Through attempts at better understanding of problems we mutually face in our churches, we hope that all of us together can do a better job of witnessing for Christ in the various Mississippi communities. The purpose of the workshop can be stated in the theme of the closing address by Dr. Lawson, 'Bring Human Relations Under the Lordship of Jesus Christ,'" he added.



Lawson



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# 1974 — A Leaderless Parade Through Time

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and securities violations crippled retirement communities and such vast evangelical enterprises as those led by Rex Humbard, Charles Blair, and Jerry Falwell. Sunday schools in evangelical churches grew larger while those of liberal churches in general declined. A total of 82.4 per cent of Americans held a religious belief. A Unitarian minister in 1974 prepared a "Rite for Divorce" formalizing a couple's "I Do's" to become two instead of one. Rev. Sun Myung Moon's heretical "One World Crusade," spawned in Korea, aggrandized in North America. Bank loans for churches dwindled and abuses in the church bond market were greater than in any other area of the financial securities market.

Christ's prayer that believers "all may be one" seemed less remote than in other years. And what unity was lacking in organization was realized in spiritual fellowship.

## Missions

Bearers of Christ's Good News to a lost world reaped both victory and defeat throughout 1974. In a historic switch, Chinese Christians in Singapore sent \$1,000 to a low-income, Spanish-speaking Texas church. The total of national mission agencies in Asia rose to 200. India's runaway population kept the nation in the shadow of mass starvation, but the people responded to missionary outreach.

Korea hosted Expo '74, Campus Crusade for Christ's five-day training seminar which drew 303,000 registrants from 78 countries. Missions in Japan were handicapped by inflation pegged at 23 per cent increases; her Protestant population dropped; the energy crisis altered for the first time Japan's traditional job-for-a-lifetime arrangement, threatening to force the population into a free-floating society with its impending moral dangers.

China's allegiance to the "Little Red Book" lessened; Europe was called a "post-Christian society," making missionary effort difficult (for the first time there were more Baptists in Asia than in Europe). Evangelicals in Italy started the "Cornelius Corps"; Spain's evangelicals staged the first Iberian Congress on Evangelization for some 1,000 participants representing the country's 500 congregations and 35,000 evangelical believers — a first for Spain.

## Same Status

Soviet Christians carried out programs of evangelism in a society where religion has the same status as pornography. Bible smugglers and radio broadcasts in Russian from outside abounded.

The eyes of the world were on Lausanne, Switzerland, in mid-1974, as 4,000 people (2,700 participants) from 150 countries met for 10 days to discuss in plenary sessions and in 80 strategy groups how to build new relationships between missionaries and national Christians in emerging churches. 85 per cent of the participants signed the 3,000-word "Lausanne Covenant" affirming their understanding of the purpose of God, the authority of the Bible, the church and evangelism, social responsibility and the return of Christ. Honorary Congress Chairman Billy Graham was afterward elected interim chairman of a 48-member "continuation committee" directing the publication of Congress documents and a documentary film.

Africa presented a paradox: Outspoken nationals critical of missions suggested that perhaps Americans should "look to your own country,"

as the United Methodist Bishop of Angola declared. Libyan Chief of State Col. Muammar el-Quaddafi declared that the African continent must rid itself of "European" Christianity which, he said, was a "tool of colonialism" — all this against reports of unprecedented growth among churches.

In Sierra Leone the largest evangelistic crusade in the country's history culminated a series of significant spiritual events. John Wilson, a resident of Kampala, said Uganda was "turning to God" in remarkable ways. Bible sales boomed in Ghana. More than 1,800 decisions for Christ were recorded in Nigeria at a six-day evangelistic crusade sponsored by the Nigerian Baptist Convention.

The dreaded onslaught of mass starvation and epidemics touched nations from Ethiopia to the sub-Sahara where babies and adults died by the hundreds and where prolonged drought threatened an estimated five million people. Relief agencies invested huge amounts of money and manpower to fight the scourge.

## First — Ever

This year the first-ever "Association of Evangelical Christians in the Sudan" was formed — a move typical of encouraging trends among Christian nationals in Africa. Evangelist Arthur Blessitt said he would like to see Americans as "people conscious" as black Africans.

National missions thrived among the 277.1 million people of the Latin American mainland while traditional missionary enterprise slowed. A native of Peru declared that the church in the "Third World" is "acutely embarrassed" at the image of Christianity held in those parts of the globe, and that it was "attempting to live down and out-live the commonly held view that Christianity was in some way a part of the 'imperialistic plot' to dominate the world."

In Rio de Janeiro, 225,000 Brazilians jammed Maracana Stadium — world's largest — to hear Evangelist Billy Graham.

In Los Angeles, Dr. Graham told a Hollywood Bowl audience celebrating his big start in evangelism 25 years earlier, that the "time is short" for America.

Thirty-one churches in 17 states tested a special summer evangelism project via newspaper ads; the Evangelization Forum was begun, looking ahead to evangelistic activity during the United States' bicentennial. The National Association for Media Evangelism was organized. Hundreds of evangelists and evangelism projects such as "Power 1974" in England enlisted millions of people in support of the Christian message. They found people craving moral and spiritual leadership in the complicated world of 1974.

## Education

Secularized education left little room for the Christian message, although notable exceptions were recorded: Gideons distributed New Testaments in 20 'Hoozier elementary schools; the Pennsylvania Supreme Court ruled that prayers in connection with public school ceremonies do not violate the Constitution; Minnesota's attorney general ruled that a church can require that students be released from public schools for religious instruction up to one day a week; and "teaching about religion" was promoted in 25 of the 50 United States.

On the debit side: Indiana officials fired a student for reading the Bible to his mathematics classes; a North Carolina teacher quit when officials threatened to fire her for arranging a minute of silent prayer with first-grade pupils; the California Board of

Education voted to replace a reference to the Bible in a science textbook with a reference to the theory of evolution; intense opposition arose to meet President Ford's advocacy of Federal aid for parochial and private schools with state money and Florida public schools were ordered to stop scheduling spring vacations around Easter week end to eliminate the "direct and immediate effect of advancing religion."

College costs rose again (up 35 per cent in four years) and Christian

schools faced cutbacks as inflation reduced purchasing power.

## Publishing

Forty-two percent of American families bought Bibles or other religious books in 1974 as the hot market for evangelical books continued. Paper shortages plagued major printing houses, but something new emerged: World Home Bible League's "Take Home" Bibles in motel rooms. High-flight began putting Bibles in airliners and the United Bible Societies approved a record \$10.9 million to trans-

late and produce Scriptures worldwide.

Sixteen publishing houses founded the Evangelical Christian Publishers Association. The Evangelical Press Association; Associated Church Press and Catholic Press Association rejoiced over Congress' Postal Bill S.411 which modified exorbitant mail costs for periodicals. Sunday school literature faced a 10 percent cost rise.

The global "Scripture language count" stood at 1,526 among a total of 5,687 languages listed by Wycliffe Bible Translators' updated Ethnologue. After 20 years of work, new Hungarian translations of the Old and New Testaments were ready for the presses. Christian publishing flourished in Russia. Paper shortages in Britain cut in Bible production by 20 per cent but the humming presses continued to add an important dimension to the outreach of the Gospel worldwide.

## Broadcasting

Since there is no roof on the world, the long arms of radio and television reached where missionaries could not go. Hundreds of weekly broadcasts were aimed at the Soviet Union, China, and remote outposts. One thousand broadcasters began the year at the National Religious Broadcasters' Washington, D. C. convention seeking ways to update their medium and expertise.

Television, "the beast among us," offered ratings showing that it is "the most important influence on American lives today."

Billy Graham successfully tied two cities together by TV and visual amplification for a simultaneous crusade in Tidewater Virginia. A new TV series titled "Search" and featuring Bruce Larson was launched as a follow-up to Key 73's "More Than You Are" program. Moody Bible Institute's purchase of KCFM AM-FM in Spokane raised its radio network to seven stations. Back to the Bible Broadcast celebrated 35 years on the air; so did John Jess. Radio was still the best bargain in global evangelism.

## Famine

Twelve nations were on the verge of bankruptcy in 1974 and world food reserves were adequate for only 27 days. Students hiked and biked to lobby for food funds; church leaders called their people to meatless diets and to repentance for past sins of omission; members of the World Council of Churches' Central Committee, jolted by a report on the helplessness of the world to feed its people, fell into silent prayer "too overwhelmed to speak."

Four agencies (Food for the Hun-

gry, World Gospel Crusades, King's Garden and the Seattle Association of Evangelicals) dedicated a C-47 airplane to carry food, medicine, and gospel literature to crisis areas of the globe.

A Jewish leader likened apathy toward hunger by rich nations to world apathy to the Nazi slaughter of Jews a generation ago. Bread for the World went national to openly campaign politically for the poor and hungry. Churchmen pressed reluctant government officials to reserve 10 per cent of exportable commodities for food programs. A World Food Conference in Rome created a World Food Council to coordinate the global war on hunger. "We must act soon," U. S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger warned. "If we do not act boldly, disaster will result from a failure of will." The poor, said a missionary, may take up arms to demand their inheritance if it is denied them.

## Deaths

Notable personalities who passed from the scene in 1974 included UPI Religion Editor Louis Cassels; Frank Dewey Lockman, founder-president of the Lockman Foundation and sponsor of the New American Standard Bible; Ralph Freed, veteran Christian broadcaster with Trans World Radio; Clate A. Risley, president of the World Wide Christian Education Ministries (shot to death in a holdup attempt near his Chicago office); L. Richard Burnap, book editor of David C. Cook Co.; Virginia L. Bell, widow of L. Nelson Bell; George R. Warner, retired president of the World Gospel Mission.

1974 — what a year! a year of Watergate, amnesty, Lausanne and inflation . . . a year of the PLO, EPA, SLA and WIN! . . . a year of civilization which Malcolm Muggeridge described as being in an "advanced stage of decomposition" . . . a year in which Dr. Benjamin Spoke envied "parents who see God clearly and concretely, because they can then explain Him in a way that is easy for a child to understand."

The world of 1974 marched to a hundred different signals in a ragged column, but the Light that first came to Bethlehem 2,000 years ago still guided those with faith to see.

O Splendor of God's glory bright,  
From light eternal bringing light,  
Thou Light of light, light's living Spring,  
True Day, all days illumining.

—St. Ambrose of Milan



BMC Autograph Party For Swor-Scott Cook

During the autograph party held in the Blue Mountain College bookstore, for Dr. Chester E. Swor and Scott Cook, Staley Foundation Lecturer and Living Art specialist, respectively, Dr. E. Harold Fisher, president of the host college, right, and Tom Saterfield, Director of Development, center, pause for a moment to chat with Dr. Swor. The author autographed a copy of his newest book, "Does It Really Matter?" and presented one to each. Dr. Swor, seated, is an alumnus of Blue Mountain College.

## Church Drive To Help Dallas Baptist College

DALLAS (BP)—Baptist churches in this area are planning to raise \$935,000 to help alleviate pressing immediate needs at Dallas Baptist College (DBC), the school's trustees were told.

Carl Duck, the pastor of Lakeside Baptist Church, chairman of the fund drive, told the DBC trustees that the 230 churches of the Dallas Baptist Association will raise the money in a special offering January 19.

Duck said the offering will pay off a loan to Civic Savings and Loan Association of Irving.

"The most important immediate result of the churches' campaign is that it will release, \$103,000 a year that

the school is paying in interest which can then be used in giving students a quality, Christian education," Duck added.

The school's problems were explained as including an enrollment which had never come up to expectation, failure to attract capital gifts and a \$7.3 million debt which requires nearly \$500,000 each year in debt service.

The school moved to its southwest Dallas campus from the small north Texas town of Decatur in 1965 and shortly thereafter changed from a two-year institution to four-year status.

## 8,000 Young People Hear Description Of Church

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sap strength from another in my area of weakness.

"Thus the church is like a body totally dependent on all the other parts to become complete.

"When you hurt, I hurt; when you are in pain, I ache; when you are cut, I bleed; when you cry, I taste the salt.

He closed by saying that the only criteria by which the world can judge us is by the question, "Do you have love one for another?"

Mississippi Baptist young people, along with adult leaders, were present from every section of the state, most of them coming in bus loads from the churches.

Tom Larrimore, evangelistic singer of Jackson, led congregational singing and directed a mass choir.

Larrimore directed the choir in singing "The King Is Coming." Solos were sung by Jerry Beatty of Columbus and Mrs. Phil Harper of Jackson.

Presiding was Rev. Bryant Cummings, director of the Sunday School Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and chairman of the committee in charge of plans for the meeting.

Other special music included selections by "The Turning Point," a widely-known 10-voice singing group from Greenville, S. C., and selections by an all state choir under direction of Dan C. Hall, director of the Church Music Department of the State Convention Board. Assurance, a young men's quartet from Louisiana, sang.

A testimony was given by Richard F. Wilson, Mississippi College stu-

dent, who has served as a student summer missionary.

Scripture and prayer were rendered by Kim Boone, of Quitman High School, Quitman; Ray Jones, Pearson Baptist Church, Pearl; Lisa Brannan, Gulf Coast Junior College, Perkinston; Mike Steen, Northeast Junior College, Booneville, and Judy Sumrall, Delta State University, Cleveland.

Jerry Aultman of Columbia was organist, and Darrell Boggs of Laurel was pianist. Boggs is a graduate student at Mississippi college, and assistant to the Baptist Student Union director there.

"Sharing His Love" was the theme of the service. The closing highlight was an evangelistic appeal by Mr. Walker to the unsaved present to come forward and an invitation for those pre-

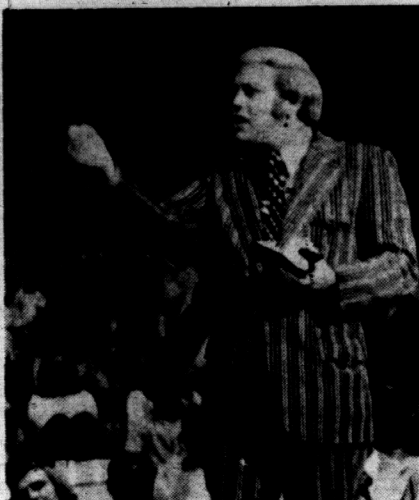
sent who were ready to make a commitment to full-time vocational service, also to come forward.

More than 100 of those present responded to the appeals.

Other planning committee members were Mr. Hall; Kermit King, director of the Church Training Department; and Rev. Ralph Winders, director of the Student Department.

Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary-treasurer of the Convention Board, pronounced the benediction. Monday night's service was the first annual Convention Youth meeting held at its new time — at the close of the Christmas holidays. It was formerly held each year at the close of the State Convention in November.

Excessive rain conditions in the northern portion of the state was judged to have affected attendance to some degree.



Larry Walker, staff evangelist for First Church, Dallas, punches across a point during his message Dec. 30 at the Mississippi Baptist Youth Night.



Tom Larrimore, Jackson music evangelist, led the singing during Youth Night and directed the mass choir in singing "The King Is Coming."



Larry Walker, speaker for the annual Youth Night, was surprised when a violin was thrust in his hands by song leader Tom Larrimore, but he captured the attention of the audience with his ability.



The pianist for Youth Night was Darrell Boggs, a staff member at First Church, Canton, and a student at Mississippi College.



Jerry Aultman of Columbia, a student at Mississippi College, was the organist for Youth Night.



"Turningpoint" is a touring group from Greenville, S. C., and made the Mississippi Baptist Youth Night a part of its itinerary.



A brass ensemble accompanied the choir on "The King Is Coming." Buster Pray of Jackson, a member of the touring group "Turningpoint," also accompanied on the drums.

## Youth Night At The Coliseum



"Assurance," a young men's quartet from Louisiana, presented special music at Youth Night.



# The Baptist Record

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## EDITORIAL

### Pray For Coming Billy Graham Crusade

Plans are moving forward rapidly in the preparations for the Mississippi Billy Graham Crusade which is scheduled for Mississippi Memorial Stadium in Jackson the week of May 11-18.

While not a great deal of publicity has been given to it, there has been much activity in recent weeks. Numerous committees have been hard at work, and much of the groundwork has been done, so that many preparatory events soon will begin to happen. Prayer meetings, witnessing training, and other activities all are being set, and the weeks and months ahead will see a quickening of movement related to the crusade.

Offices for the crusade have been established on the second floor of the American Public Life building on Woodrow Wilson Drive in Jackson, and a staff of paid workers, and a growing number of volunteers, all are hard at work preparing mailings, and doing other things related to the meeting.

However, people now are beginning to ask, "What can I do?" Pastors and church leaders are being kept informed of each step of preparation that is being taken, and will begin to call upon their people for increased activity as the time of the meeting approaches.

Literally thousands of different people will be involved in the revival effort, and more and more will find opportunity to serve as the time for the meeting nears.

Right now, one of the most important things that can be done, and one that every Christian can share in, is to pray for the meeting. Before long, special prayer meetings will start, but even now, in private devotions, in prayer meetings, in worship services, in classes and group meetings, and in many other ways, individuals and groups of Christians can begin to lift their hearts to God for the revival.

Few communities have the privilege of having a mighty crusade such as is coming to Jackson and Mississippi, and those of us who live here have the blessing of sharing in the glorious experience. We can help the committees, the workers, and the team itself, as preparation is made for the meeting.

Pray for Dr. Graham and the team; for the pastors and churches as they participate; for those who handle the details of preparation; and for the whole Christian community in Mississippi, that our hearts may be so yielded that God can work in and through us. Pray for revival to come that will

change communities, and homes, and individuals; that will improve the moral atmosphere of our whole area; that will draw Mississippi closer to God. Above all else, pray that when revival has come, sinners will be convicted and converted and that thousands will come to know the joy of new life in Christ.

Mississippi and America needs revival above all else. We believe that God wants to send a true revival to Jackson and Mississippi. Let's pray and pray and pray, that it may come now!

#### Editor's Notebook:

### Mississippi's "Mr. Baptist" In Washington

For the past quarter of a century Mississippi Baptists have had an unofficial "Mr. Baptist" in Washington, right in the heart of government activities. He was Mr. William M. "Fish Bait" Miller of Pascagoula, who has been doorkeeper of the House of Representatives for the past 27 years.

Millions of Americans have seen and heard Mr. Miller as he announced the coming of important persons, such as the President of the United States, as they were presented to joint sessions of the House and the Senate.

Multitudes of Mississippians have received personal courtesies from Mr. Miller when they visited the capitol.

Most people, however, have not known of the dedicated Christian life of this government servant. Mr. Miller has been an active member of one of the capitol area Baptist churches through the years, attending not only the worship services, but also working in the Sunday School and Church Training program. He is a regular reader of the Baptist Record and often has called us to talk about something in the paper, or some part of our Baptist work in Mississippi. Last Spring he appeared on the Home Mission Board's "Spring Street, USA," TV program, at which time he said that being Christian came first in his life.

Now, at 65, "Fish Bait" is leaving the office after holding it for more than a quarter of a century. He was reelected again and again, but early last month was defeated by a younger man, chosen by the new House membership.

We do not know "Fish Bait's" future plans, whether he will stay in the Washington area, or return to his beloved native state. Wherever he is, however, we expect him to continue to be busy for his Lord. He can be sure that he always will be welcome back in Mississippi.

### An Unfortunate, And Untrue Story

One of the first lessons which every newspaper man and news writer learns is the necessity for accuracy. The number one rule in good reporting is "Get the facts."

A glaring example of the failure to do this is found in a story concerning a "Lottie Moon" and her family, which appeared in the December 15, 1974, issue of The Commercial Appeal.

The story mainly concerns one "Ginny" Moon, who is identified as a sister of "Lottie" Moon, and tells of spy service during the War between the States, and other episodes in the lives of the women. "Lottie" Moon is listed as the older sister of Virginia (Ginny), and they are reported as coming from Ohio to Memphis. Lottie is identified as the one who later became the famed missionary of Southern Baptists. The newspaper story concerning her courtship experiences and marriage is not very complimentary, and the story has disturbed many Baptist people.

The truth is that the newspaper report is untrue as far as the Lottie Moon of Southern Baptist missionary fame is concerned. There may have been a "Ginny" Moon in Memphis who was a Civil War spy, and she may have had a sister named "Lottie," but that was

not the Lottie Moon who served Southern Baptists.

The Lottie Moon after whom Southern Baptists have named their great Christmas offering was born in Virginia and was never married. There is no record that she ever lived either in Ohio or Memphis, and neither did she die in China as the Commercial Appeal story reports.

Miss Marjean Patterson, Executive Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, has written a documented response to the Commercial Appeal story, and has asked for a retraction by the publication. She called attention to the unfortunate fact that the story appeared just prior to the annual Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in Southern Baptist churches.

Individuals who were disturbed by the Commercial Appeal need not be upset by its revelations, for they do not concern our own Miss Moon.

Evidently the Memphis State University student who wrote the story simply mixed up two families with the same name, and had not yet learned the journalism lesson of "Get the facts."

#### NEWEST BOOKS

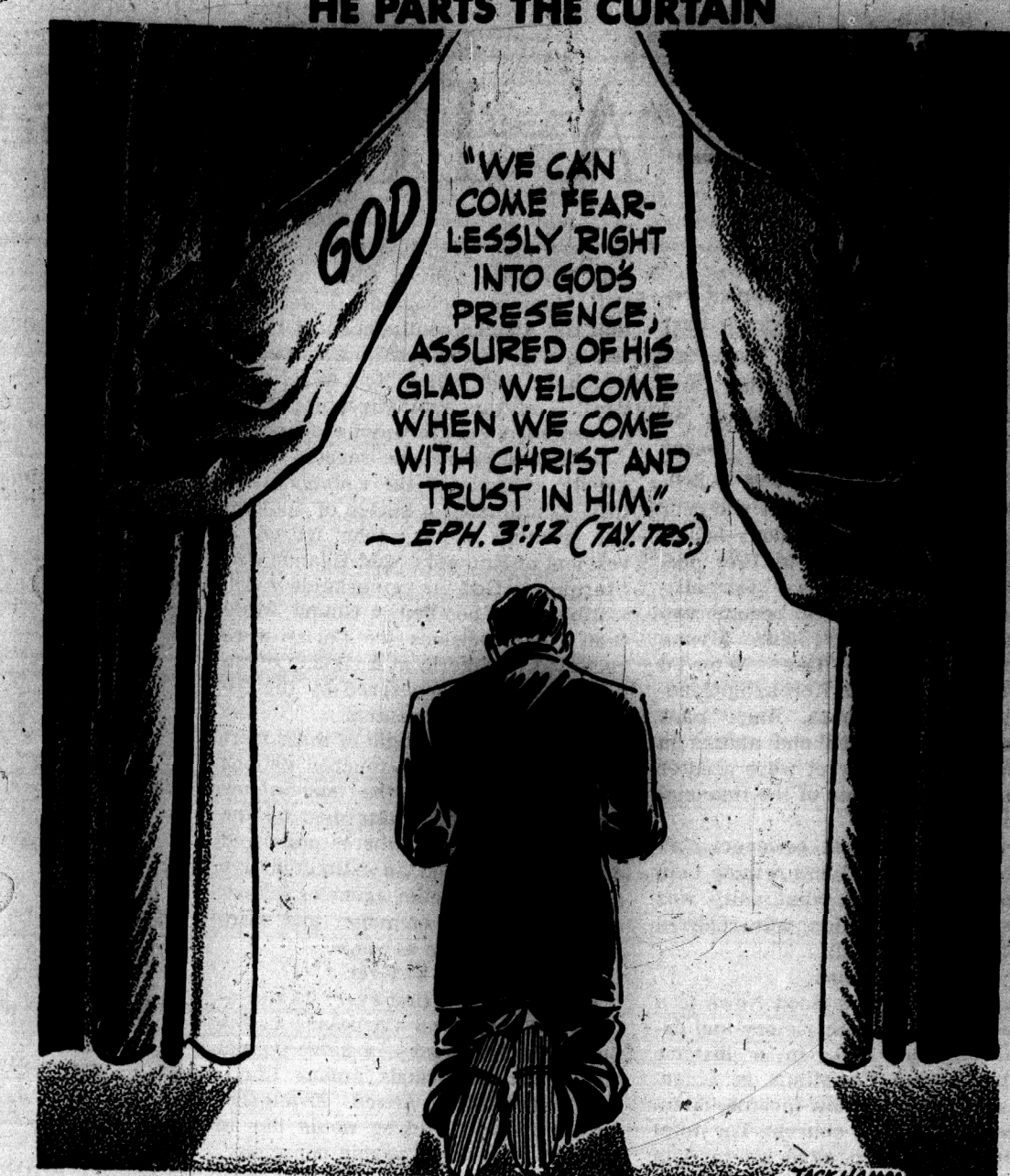
A. T. Robertson Library, EPOCHS IN THE LIFE OF JESUS (192 pp., paper, \$2.95) EPOCHS IN THE LIFE OF PAUL (337 pp., paper, \$3.45) EPOCHS IN THE LIFE OF THE APOSTLE JOHN (253 pp., paper, \$2.95) EPOCHS IN THE LIFE OF SIMON PETER (342 pp., paper, \$3.45) (Broadman Press and Baker) Broadman Press and Baker Book House have joined together in issuing a new paperback edition of the A. T. Robertson Library, consisting of four of the outstanding books by the late Dr. A. T. Robertson, long professor at Louisville Seminary. Dr. Robertson was one of the greatest Greek scholars who ever has lived and his writing is scintillating in its opening up of the shades of meaning of the New Testament text. These are classics and have been a blessing to preachers of the past generation. The publishers have now provided them for the new generation and they will enrich preaching and teaching as they are read. We recommend them to every preacher and teacher who does not already have these valuable books.

WORKS OF FLAVIUS JOSEPHUS translated by William Whiston Four volumes (Broadman, and Baker, over 2100 pp) Broadman and Baker present a new edition in four volumes of a work which long has been regarded as a religious classic. No serious student of biblical history, and especially of Jewish history can be without these books. Flavius Josephus was a Jewish writer in the first century. Probably he was born just a few years after the death of Christ, so he lived through the experience of the destruction of Jerusalem and the scattering of the Jews. The writings of Josephus covered the Jewish War which was these experiences of the first century, although the history actually begins back in the Maccabean period, the antiquities of the Jews, which is a history of the Jewish people from the time of creation, a biographical sketch called "The Life," and some other writings. This special edition includes a chapter on Josephus and Masada based upon recent excavations at Masada which have revealed many new things concerning the record that Josephus made. The publishers have done a worthwhile work in providing this beautiful, new edition of Josephus for modern readers.

#### SERMONS ON THE TRAIL OF BLOOD

by A. A. Davis (A. A. Davis, First Baptist Church, Box 385, Nowata, OK 74048, 242 pp., paper, \$3.95) The sixth printing of a series of messages on Baptists and Baptist history, preached by a veteran Oklahoma pastor. Years ago Dr. J. M. Carroll wrote a little book which has had wide circulation under the title "The Trail of Blood." Before his death, Dr. Carroll gave to a young preacher named A. A. Davis his collection of materials upon which this book had been based. Out of those materials and out of his own long study, Brother Davis prepared a series of ten messages on Baptist history which he called "Sermons on the Trail of Blood." These messages are printed as they were delivered in a conference in a Texas Baptist Church. They do not present a history of Christianity or of Baptists, but they are a series of messages on that history. They discuss the church which was established by the Lord and his promise of perpetuity. They follow that promise through the centuries studying those who held true to the faith, and those who were enemies of it. Careful notice is given of false teachings and activities which set out to destroy the truth of New Testament as it had been given to the early church. Many of the paganistic doctrines which have found their way into modern Christianity are discussed. The dark ages, persecution, days of difficulty, all are lived anew. The historical beginnings of various religious groups of today are discussed. A study is made of the Anti-Baptists, and then of our Baptist fathers. The last sermons discuss Baptist history and Baptist doctrines. The last one-third of the book is a series of appendices, dealing with various issues relating to Baptist history, Baptist doctrine, and many of the false teachings which are found in the world today. One cannot read this book without a new appreciation for Baptists and their loyalty to the Word of God. Furthermore, he will have better understanding of why they have been blessed of God through the centuries and are so being used of him today. We rejoice that this book is back in print. We hope that many modern day Baptists will have the opportunity to read it.

#### THE LONG DAY OF JOSHUA AND SIX OTHER CATASTROPHES by Donald W. Patton, Ronald R. Hatch, Loren C. Steinhauer, (Pacific Meridian, 328 pp., paper, \$3.75; cloth \$6.75) An amazing scientific study which seeks to explain the long day of Joshua and other biblically recorded and historically recorded catastrophes, from a scientific view. The authors present overwhelming evidence that for a period of 1700 years, the planet Mars repeatedly, or cyclically, made a close flyby near or through the earth's moon system. These flybys of Mars in a different orbit from the one it is in today, created what is called a precession of the earth's planetary spin axis and evidently means a wobble. The flybys were in cycles that averaged 54 years and caused a repeated number of catastrophic events. Listed in the book are the Noachian Flood, A Tower of Babel Experience; The Sodom Gomorrah Catastrophe; the Exorcist Catastrophe; The Long Day of Joshua; The Great Davidge Catastrophe; The Joel Amos Catastrophe; and the Isaiah Catastrophe. Many students of the Bible probably are unaware that some of these were actually catastrophic events. They think of them merely as biblically recorded miracles. Yet, these men as Bible believers, show how that the miraculous events actually could have been caused by natural conditions in the earth planet relationship. These writers are scientists and have done their work in a scientific manner by tables and charts, and historical records from many sources, they bring the proof of their theories. Here is a fascinating volume which studies events of the Bible and ancient history and finds scientific explanation of them. One of the authors, Dr. Patton wrote a previous book "The Biblical Flood and the Ice Epoch" based upon the same theories which are presented in this book. Concluding paragraph of the book says "Catastrophism is the doctrine that the Earth has experienced sudden overwhelming physical events in the past. Catastrophism is the doctrine of ancient historians. It is the Biblical doctrine, and it is the scientific doctrine."



#### THE BAPTIST FORUM

### Seeks Pictures Of Former Mississippians

Dear Sirs:

It has been suggested to me that you might be able to help me in securing pictures of some Baptist ministers, who preached in the early 1900's. I have almost finished writing the history of the Holt Baptist Church, near Tuscaloosa, covering a period of 70 years. I have a biography of each pastor the church has had and would like so much to have a picture of each one to go with it. I have pictures of each, except these four and hoped that among your records there might be some, even one would help - ANY KIND, large or small, I would return them, or we could copy them. Here is the list:

Rev. Mack Stamps, first pastor, 1904; Rev. W. L. Henson, 1905; Rev. L. S. Foster, 1907; Rev. H. D. Wilson, 1914.

I thought, perhaps, among the elderly church workers, some one might have a picture. The Rev. Foster's picture should be in many of the older records. Any help you could give me, even to find one, would be appreciated so very much.

Thanking you, I am, yours truly,

Mrs. A. W. Blackman  
Box 238, Crescent Ridge  
Tuscaloosa, ALA. 35401

### Wants To Keep 'Wilda's "Ironing Board"

Dear Brother Odle:

My day was saddened when I read in "Beyond the Ironing Board" by Mrs. Wilda Fancher that last week would be her last column. I do love Dr. Chester Swor and his writings, but could you please find another space in our great paper for Mrs. Fancher's column? I have enjoyed her so much and the Baptist Record won't be the same if her column is not in it. She is such a wonderful down-to-earth person, so please if possible keep her. Thank you.

Mrs. R. C. Perdue  
First Baptist Church of Sharon  
Laurel, MS

### Wolves In Sheep's Clothing

Dear Editor:

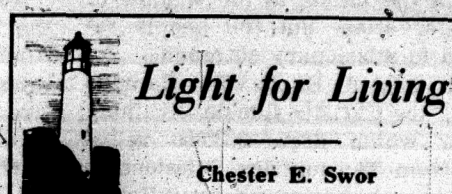
Wolves - in - sheep's - clothing still lurk around the flock, unfortunately. A clever one got by us.

Earlier this year I shared with you a copy of a letter from a man in an Ohio prison who described his loneliness and wanted to correspond with some Christian people. Several editors were moved as I was by the man's poignant request and they published the prisoner's legitimate-looking request in their letters-to-the-editor section.

Out of the goodness of his heart, the Baptist state secretary in Ohio and two pastors near the prison responded to the appeal, as did others. Apparently all of this compassion has been betrayed by the prisoner.

Editor Gene Puckett writes us that one of those trusting, concerned people was a woman who is a member of one of the Maryland Baptist churches. After six months of correspondence with the prisoner she was about to respond to his appeal for a loan or gift of \$10,000 when a wise pastor led her to be cautious and investigate further.

Several follow-up calls to Ohio revealed that although apparently nothing illegal had been done, such a financial transaction was inappropriate and unwise. When the woman



Although the comparison is right much similar to comparing an ant with an elephant, I do have one thing in common with the late General MacArthur; he promised to return to the Philippines as he retreated strategically to the Australian area of the Pacific during 1942, and I promised to "return to the Record" as I took my leave in early 1970. So, beginning this week, I have the happy privilege of visiting with you through the columns of our BAPTIST RECORD.

Since taking leave of my earlier column, I have traveled far, met many wonderful people, received endless blessings, survived hospitalization and surgery, "unmarried off" three wonderful young helpers, and now have a remarkable young associate who does LIVING ART - the traditional chalk talk with actual movement in the drawings. We are to leave for a month-long mission to Hawaii on January 2nd; and, upon returning, we shall begin a schedule of twelve week in Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, and Missouri, getting back to Jackson just in time for the wonderful Billy Graham Crusade. So, though I shall not be giving you bulletins of our weekly appointments, you will know that we are grateful for your asking God to guide, protect, and empower us in our travels and meetings.

Thank you, Mrs. Fancher, for your faithfulness in these intervening years, for your keeping the "heart - fires" burning as our readers have traveled with you "Beyond The Ironing Board." The accolade, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," is surely applied to you and your splendid communications with our readers. May God give you a very special new year blessing.

did not show up with the money, Editor Puckett says that the prisoner's attorney made another attempt to secure the money. Editor Puckett says, "The correspondence gave a context for playing on the sympathy of a sincere person who really wanted to help."

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**MISSION NURSES**—Miss Marilyn Clark (left) of Natchez and Miss Ruthie Blue of Jackson, students in the School of Nursing at Mississippi College, show off some of the artifacts they brought back from their summer of working abroad. Miss Clark worked in the Baptist Medical Center in Nalerigu, Ghana, under sponsorship of the Baptist Student Union summer mission program. Miss Blue worked in a native hospital in Leogane, Haiti in the West Indies and was supported by the First Presbyterian Church of Jackson. (M.C. Photo by Norman H. Gough)

## Christian Psychologist Teaching Seminar At William Carey, On Aging And Dying

Dr. William P. Osborn, a developmental psychologist at San Jose State University in California, is conducting a course on aging and dying, at William Carey College during January. The seminar, which began Tuesday evening, January 7, is designed to help persons maintain a positive attitude about themselves as they grow older as well as to provide inservice training for physicians, nurses, ministers, and educators who serve senior citizens.

Dr. Osborn will divide the workshop materials into three developmental stages: maturing and power; retiring and adjustment; and dying and death. More than 500 persons on the West Coast have received credit for the three-week seminar through San Jose State University and the University of California, Berkeley. Credit may be received for this Mid-South presentation through the seminar at William Carey College.

Dr. Osborn developed his perspectives on aging and dying while supervising interns serving on terminal patient wards of San Jose hospitals. He has lectured on his experiences in Baptist churches in the United States, Mexico, and Canada as well as at Golden Gate Baptist Seminary in California. He appeared on a talk show in British Columbia to discuss dying recently and received national

news coverage on his prediction that the 'venerable gray head' would replace the 'youthful look' as an advertising and sales focus by 1985.

Dr. Osborn, who completed his bachelor degree at William Carey College, serves the San Jose community in two capacities. He heads the Family Counseling Program at San Jose State University which provides specialties in marriage, retirement, bereavement, child or family crisis counseling. And recently Dr. Osborn joined the staff of Foxworthy Baptist Church in San Jose as a counseling psychologist, ministering through personal counseling and group therapy persons desiring psychological help with a Christian perspective.

The Carey seminary on aging and dying, will offer an option of one, two, or three semester hours of college credit. The course will meet each Tuesday and Thursday evening from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m., with a break for a snack meal. The six sessions, ending on Thursday evening, January 23, will cost \$30 per semester hour of credit desired. The class may also be audited according to the fee schedule in the Carey catalogue. The sessions will meet in the President's Dining Room of Wilkes Hall. All interested persons may appear for registration on the first evening or may call the school for further information.

## On Mission Field

# Student Nurses Find Opportunities To Meet Medicine, Teaching Needs

CLINTON —Communication between a nurse and her patient is a vital part of hospital work. When they speak different languages, the whole situation takes on a new, rather frustrating aspect.

This is what two seniors students in the Mississippi College School of Nursing discovered this past summer in foreign missions work.

Miss Ruthie Blue of Jackson spent the summer working in a hospital in Leogane, Haiti, in the West Indies with Dr. Rion Dixon. She was supported by her church, the First Presbyterian Church in Jackson.

Miss Marilyn Clark of Natchez worked in the Baptist Medical Center in the village of Nalerigu, Ghana, in West Africa. She was

sponsored by the Baptist Student Union Summer Missions program.

"I just wanted to do something like that," Miss Blue commented. "My pastor knew this missionary, Dr. Dixon, needed help; and my church agreed to support me for the summer."

"The language barrier was the most frustrating part of the summer," she continued. "My patients and the native nurses spoke Creole, an African dialect of French."

"The doctor and nurses are so pressured for time in their medical work that their main reason for being there —to spread the Christian gospel, is often neglected," Miss Blue said. "They really need an evangelist to work with them."

In Ghana, Miss Clark found a sim-

ilar need, though the people, customs and circumstances were quite different.

"I knew this was my last chance to spend a summer this way, so I applied for foreign mission work and was accepted," she explained.

Her mission field was a small village in the northern bush country, 100 miles from the closest large city. She worked 6:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Saturday in a 90-bed hospital. In the afternoons nursing duties were dropped for the role of a teacher in church children's groups.

"I started working in the maternity ward, added medical - surgical, and ended up working a third area — pediatrics," she recalled. "I usually had an interpreter near,

but communication was still difficult sometimes."

"One of the biggest differences showed up in the customs," the nursing student continued. "Men marry as many women as they can support and have as many children as they can care for. Twins are disliked because of the additional work they place on the mother, so one is usually neglected and often dies."

The student nurse also made several trips to other villages to aid in emergency situations and was paid with guinea eggs, pigeons, and sometimes money.

"I went to Ghana not knowing what to expect," Miss Clark commented. "I realize now that people are the same — wherever they are. The people here need me like the people in Ghana; the situations are just different."

Despite the frustrations of language barriers and new situations, and heart - rending poverty, both of these Mississippi College nursing students had a very rewarding summer.

## Judges' Trophies Awarded At State Youth Music Festival



Dan Hall, right, presents Judges' trophies to some of the winners at the recent state festival. Top photo, Jon Blouin, Calvary, Jackson, Category C, center photo, Milfred Valentine, Second Avenue, Laurel, Category B; bottom photo, Rita Wood, Broadmoor, Jackson, vocal solo.

## Harbour Moves To Dallas Church

Dr. Brian L. Harbour, pastor of Colonial Heights Church, Jackson since September, 1972, announced his resignation to the church membership Sunday, December 1, in order to assume the pastorate of the Shiloh Terrace Church in Dallas, Tex. January 1, 1975.

The family moved to Texas, their former home, over the holidays.

Seventeen senior high and mixed choirs, four junior high choirs, and seven vocal ensembles were invited to participate in the recent State Youth Music Festival held at Alta Woods Church in Jackson. Also participating in this division of the festival for the first time were eight vocal soloists and three youth conductors.

To be invited to this event, the choirs and individuals must not only receive a Superior rating in their own district festivals, but the groups must be one of two chosen in each category to represent the district at the state festival. Judges for the event were faculty members from Baptist colleges in the state and music secretaries from out - of - state.

Winning the Judges' Trophy (chosen by vote of the judges) were the following groups: Category A (churches with membership less than 500) — Bay Springs Church, Bay Springs, Josephine D'Arpa, director; Category B (churches with membership of 500-1000) — Second Avenue Church, Laurel, Milfred Valentine, director; Category C (churches with membership more than 1000) — Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, Jon Blouin, director; Category D (junior high choirs) — Temple Church, Hattiesburg, Graham Smith, director; and Category E (vocal ensembles) — "The Notations", Broadmoor Church, Jackson, J. M. Wood, director. The Judges' Trophy for Outstanding Youth Conductor went to Terry Cain of Eupora and the Outstanding Vocal Solo Trophy went to Rita Wood, Broadmoor, Jackson.

Receiving Superior ratings for outstanding performances were these additional choirs and individuals: Category A: Tate Street, Corinth; Collins; Calvary Columbia; Category C: Carriage Hills, Southaven; Harrisburg, Tupelo; First Pascagoula; Alta Wood, Jackson; First, Hattiesburg; Temple, Hattiesburg; First, Gulfport; Category B: First, Kosciusko; First Eupora; Category D: Broadmoor, Jackson; Harrisburg, Tupelo; Ensembles; Carriage Hills, Southaven; Highland, Laurel; Temple, Hattiesburg; First Pascagoula; Conducting, Carol Allen, Anderson, Broadmoor, Jackson; Janet Barnes, Broadmoor, Jackson; Ginny Lee, Broadmoor, Jackson; Robby Robbins, Woodland Hills, Jackson.

Others selected as superior winners in the district festival but unable to participate were the ensemble from First Church, Moss Point and the choirs from First, Greenville and First, Philadelphia.

## 68 Boys Make Professions of Faith At RA Camps

More than one out of every ten boys attending Royal Ambassador summer camps, including 68 from Mississippi, made public professions of faith in Christ, a Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission survey shows.

A total of 1,846 of the 17,500 boys attending Royal ambassador camps in 28 states professed Christ and 856 others made commitments to full - time Christian - related vocations. Mississippi Royal Ambassador camps registered 911 boys during six week of camp.

fort to have representative women from their congregations present at the January 22 meeting. However, all interested women are invited whether specifically asked by their church or not.

Probably nothing else which can be done right now will do more to strengthen the home prayer meeting program than the presence of hundreds of women at this meeting, Mrs. Greenlee said.

## Howard Butt To Visit Jackson

Howard E. Butt of Kerrville, Texas, widely known lay evangelist, and head of the H. E. Butt Foundation, and of Christian Men Inc., a non-profit Christian business men's organization, is coming to Jackson for a brief visit on Tuesday, January 14.

At 12 noon on that day he will visit the First Baptist Men's Bible Study hour at First Baptist Church.

From 1:30 until 3:30 in the afternoon he will be at the Baptist Book Store in Jackson, autographing copies of his book THE VELVET COVERED BRICK. The book carries a sub-title "Christian Leadership in an Age of Rebellion" and is published by Harper and Rowe.

He also is scheduled to make some radio and TV appearances.

In the book Butt reveals the areas of possible power struggle in Christian relationships and begins with one in his own family organization. The book reveals how the problem was solved by Biblical principles, and how Christian authority and Christian submission can solve present day conflicts in the church, family life, business and government. He builds his thesis around Paul's words to the Ephesians, "Submit yourselves to one another in the fear of God."

Friends and other interested persons can personally talk to Mr. Butt and secure autographed copies of the book when he visits Jackson next Tuesday.

## Concord Celebrates Pastor's Anniversary, Church's Birthday

Concord church (Tippah) recently honored Rev. and Mrs. Robert Walker and family on their 7th anniversary as pastor of the church. Much growth has taken place since Mr. Walker went to Concord as pastor. A new educational building and pastorium have been added, a bus ministry has been started and choir organized under a fulltime leader.

On this occasion, the church members brought food gifts for the family. After the food was displayed, a reception was given in the fellowship hall.

Concord celebrated its 90th anniversary on Nov. 17 with hundreds in attendance. This was High Attendance Sunday and Concord reported 354, a record attendance for the church and one of the highest in Tippah Association. Rev. Joe Crawford, long-time pastor of the church, celebrated his 90th birthday on this day and many came to hear his message and pay honor to him.

PARAMARIBO, Surinam — The Christian Life Development Center, the first building in Surinam provided by Southern Baptists, was dedicated recently with 175 persons attending. The center facilities will be used for Bible clubs, a sewing class, a youth group, Sunday School classes and a worship service.

## SS Teacher 51 Years

Ora Church, Collins, honored Mrs. Maxine Rutland Nov. 17 for fifty-one years of continuous teaching in the Sunday School. Mrs. Rutland began in 1923. She has not missed a year at her post. (Ora Church even ceased for a period of time and was kept alive by Mrs. Rutland and others who worked on Sunday afternoons.) She now teaches children, ages 6-8.

She is the wife of the late Willis Rutland who operated a sawmill at Ora. Mrs. Rutland has worked in public life as well as other social and church-related activities. She has one son, Sherrill Rutland, who operates the sawmill at present.

November 17 was designated as Maxine Rutland Day at Ora. She was given an orchid corsage in the morning service and an engraved pin at a reception honoring her that night. She is pictured with D. C. Gatewood, SS director.

Rev. Emory G. May is pastor.

## Highland, V'Burg Calls Pastor

Rev. James E. Messer has assumed duties as pastor of Highland Church, Vicksburg. He is a native of Columbia, Mississippi. His wife is the former Toby Maye Davis of Mobile. They have two sons, Jimmy, 6, and Chris, 4.

Mr. Messer received the B. A. degree from William Carey College, in 1969. He was licensed to the ministry, Sept. 20, 1964, and ordained Dec. 10, 1967, at First Church, Columbia.

He has pastored churches in Mississippi and Louisiana: Hepzibah (Jeff Davis); Cleverdale, Natchez; Corinth Church, Magee; and Parkview, Tallulah, La. In each of these ministries, the churches showed extensive growth, leading in baptisms.

He has served as President of Tri-County Pastor's Conference, Southwest Pastor's Conference in three counties near Natchez; President of Pastor's Conference of Simpson Association; on Youth Associational director of Madison Association.

## Billy Graham Mississippi Crusade

# Church Women Are Invited To Attend Prayer Meeting Planning Session

Church women from all churches in Jackson and surrounding cities are invited to attend a Billy Graham Crusade home prayer meeting planning session, to be held at the First Presbyterian Church, 1390 N. State, Jackson, on Wednesday January 22 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be in the sanctuary, but a pre-session fellowship period will be held in the Youth Building beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Principal speaker for the occasion will be Miss Bonnie Barrows of the crusade team. She is the daughter of song leader Cliff Barrows. Miss Barrows will present full plans for the

women's prayer meeting which are to precede the Mississippi Crusade, which is scheduled for next May.

These prayer meetings are being planned to be held in hundreds of homes. An effort will be made to schedule them in every block, in every city within a fifty mile radius of Jackson. Radio programs are set to be a part of the prayer meetings, with each group tuning in a special devotional message as a part of the prayer session program. Full details and organization plans will be made at the coming meeting, according to Mrs. Billie Greenlee, chairman of

the Women's Prayer Council for the Crusade. She will preside.

Mrs. Greenlee said that women will be filling many places in the Billy Graham Crusade, but one of the most important pre - crusade programs is the home prayer meetings. These are held in all areas where crusades are set. Dr. Graham is reported to have said that he will not go for a crusade in any community unless the people are enlisted for united prayer.

Churches within a 50 mile radius of Jackson are urged to make every ef-

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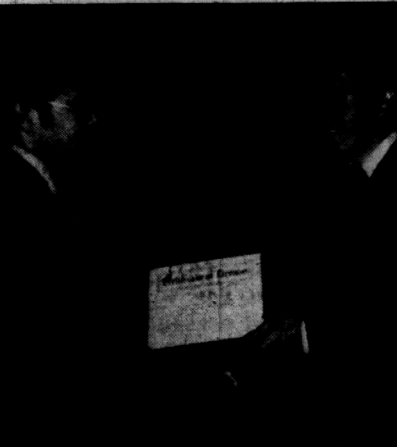
## Names In The News

Mrs. Burnis Barrett has been elected vice-president of the Maryland Ministers' Wives Fellowship. Her husband is pastor of First Church, Frederick, Md. Mrs. Barrett, the former Clotilde Hughes, is a Mississippian and was at one time secretary to Joe Abrams in the Baptist Record. Also her mother, Mrs. Preston Hughes, was for many years employed in the mailing department of the Baptist Record.

Dr. Sidney Buckley, minister of music at First Church, Eastley, S. C., was recently guest soloist at Bunker Hill Church, Columbia. His sister, Mrs. Austin Wilks, is the music director. Rev. David Perry is pastor.

Bill Carroll, pictured, minister of music at McDowell Road Church, Jackson, has announced his resignation, to enter fulltime music evangelism. Mr. Carroll has served churches in Mississippi, Texas and Tennessee during his 12 years in the music ministry and has done extensive evangelistic work. He became available for meetings January 1, 1975. He may be contacted through the Marshall Baptist Church, Bluebird Lane, San Antonio, Texas.

Blue Mountain College Department of Music will present Charles P. Phillips, pianist, in a lecture-recital (Famous Women Composers of the Past) in Garrett Hall on January 9, at 8 p.m. Phillips is currently serving as assistant professor of music at Jackson State University. The public is invited. There is no admission fee.



West Corinth Church, Corinth has licensed James M. Lewis, Jr. to the ministry. He is shown at left receiving his certificate of license from his pastor, Rev. Wayne Campbell. A student at Blue Mountain College, he is currently serving West Corinth Church as minister of music and youth. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Lewis, Sr. of Nicholasville, Kentucky.

Rev. Ray Hill is the new pastor of Mt. Zion Church, Lowndes County. Mr. Hill formerly was pastor at Center Hill in Hamilton. He and his wife, Betty, have three teenage daughters — Teresa, Linda, and Kathy.

### Brother Helps Brother

Dr. Stanley A. File, pastor of Broadmoor Church, Gulfport, will teach the January Bible Study on Acts, January 19-22, at Immanuel Church, Columbus, and will also preach in services there on the 19th. Dr. File is the brother of Rev. Jerry File, the Immanuel pastor. Born in Biloxi, he graduated from William Carey College and did graduate studies at New Orleans Seminary; USM; Antioch Baptist College, Marietta, Ga.; and North Georgia Baptist Seminary, Dalton, Ga. He formerly served pastorates in Gulfport; Pearl River County; Yazoo County; Renton, Washington; and Juneau, Alaska. His retirement from the latter was forced in 1969 due to his illness with leukemia. He returned to Mississippi for more treatments. He then taught and served on the administrative staff of Antioch Baptist College until accepting the pastorate of the Broadmoor Church.



**Seven From State Graduate At Southwestern**  
FORT WORTH, Texas — Seven Mississippi natives received degrees during winter commencement exercises at Southwestern Seminary, December 20. They were: Philip Lynn Madden, Jackson, MCM; Clifton Frank

Myers, Jr., Magee, MRE; Margaret Ann Solomon, Vicksburg, MRE; Stacy Allen Summers, Tupelo, MDIV; Robert H. Walker, Jackson, MDIV; Angelo P. Martino, Union, MDIV; David A. Michel, Brookhaven, MDIV.

Holder Farrar, right, was honored recently by members of First Nettleton Church. He was presented with a plaque in recognition of his long years of service as church clerk (more than 40 years) and presented with a plaque by Bobby Smith, left, president of the Board of Deacons. Pastor of the church, Rev. William P. Smith III, and Rev. L. R. Magers, a former pastor, spoke in appreciation of Mr. Farrar's work.

Paul Earnest Brown, instructor in Art and Bible at Clarke College, was awarded the Doctor of Philosophy degree at University of Mississippi in December. He did the work for his Ph.D. in Higher Education and Student Personnel with emphasis in college teaching. He holds the B. A. degree from Mississippi College, the Th.M. from New Orleans Seminary and the M.A. from Ole Miss. His doctoral dissertation was entitled "What the Authors of the New Testament Advocate Concerning the Uses of Sculpture in Human Affairs, as Interpreted by a Group of Southern Baptist Scholars."

Rev. and Mrs. Jerry Simon have transferred from the Uganda Mission to the Taiwan Mission. They were to leave Wed. January 8. Their new address will be Morrison Academy, P. O. Box 27-24 Taichung, Taiwan 400, Republic of China.

Rev. Gerald Buckley of Parkway Church, Natchez, was December guest speaker before the Mississippi Licensed Practical Nurse Association, Division 11, in Natchez. Buckley gave a devotional and spoke on the role of the nurse in caring for the emotional and spiritual needs of the patient. Serving as officers of the Natchez Licensed Practical Nurse Association are Mary Denham, president, Jeanette Tisdale, vice-president and Montiel Smith, secretary-treasurer, all Baptists.



On November 17, R. A. West (right) was presented a plaque from Highland Church, Vicksburg, by Dan Tipton, Chairman of Deacons, (left) Mr. West is a charter member of Highland Church and has served faithfully as church clerk for 18 years. He has also served his church in many other capacities. (The plaque was handmade by Mr. Tipton).



**Raymond Road Begins Children's Church**  
Raymond Road Church, Jackson, has started a children's church, bottom photo, led by the new associate pastor, Rev. Robert McDonald. They also have a new bus ministry. On Miracle Day, November 24, the church had a record breaking crowd of 279 in Sunday School and well over 300 in morning worship. Statistics issued by the Sunday School director reveal tremendous growth. In May, 1974, the church averaged 96 in Sunday School, and in November, 1974, the average attendance was 178. Pastor James Whittington says, "The church is in an area of great residential expansion and with the present pattern of church growth, we feel that we are on the threshold of something really great."



### 11 Graduate At Southern Seminary

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Eleven students from Mississippi received their seminary degrees during graduation exercises December 20 at Southern Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

Students from Mississippi receiving their degrees were: Master of Religious Education: Norvin Earl Forester Jr., Sarah Grant Perkins, Gary Dewayne Thompson; Master of Church Music: Rebecca Lisa Payne; Master of Divinity: Gordon Rives Heinrich, James Edward Norwood Sr., Thomas Kent Phillips, David Lee Wallace; Doctor of Ministry: James A. Atchley, Robert Moeckel Newell; Doctor of Philosophy: James Altus Newell. Pictures are shown for those students who have made them available.

**MOMBASA, Kenya** — Mombasa Baptist High School recently graduated its ninth class. Chairman of the Kenya Baptist Convention, Arthur Kinyanjui, was the principal speaker of the evening.

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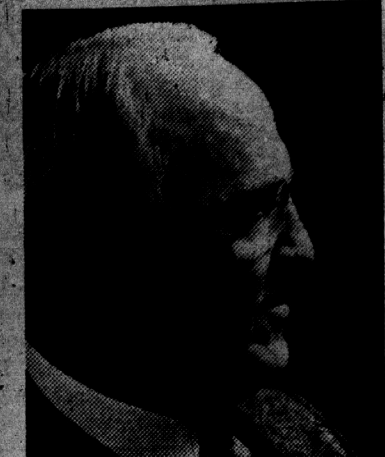
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# Jesus—The Suffering Savior

By William Fallis

Mark 8:27-38; 10:32-34; 15:21-39

This is the third of our four lessons on Jesus as the "New Man" through whom the living God was and is based solely on material in Mark, which most people feel was the first Gospel to be written. None of the Gospels is just a biography of Jesus; each one presents a distinctive interpretation of the Master. Mark was probably written in or near Rome perhaps after Peter's death with the hope that it could give guidance and strength to Christians in a time of persecution and uncertainty. This vivid and convincing account gave them courage to follow him. Especially did they need to know why he had to die and why they were expected to risk their lives in loyalty to him. For so long, suffering had been seen as punishment for sin.

## The Lesson Explained DISCOVERING THE CHRIST (vv. 27-30)

Before we can understand the significance of these verses, we must look back at what Jesus had been doing in the previous weeks. His healing power was so famous that in Mark 6:56 we read that wherever Jesus went, the people brought their sick relatives and friends for him to touch. Two examples are given in Mark 7, and in chapter 8 we have two occasions when Jesus miraculously fed thousands of people. Among the crowds Jesus had achieved a peak in popularity and influence.

That was the background for his question to the disciples in the area of Caesarea Philippi. Their answers showed that the people were much impressed by the young teacher. For a long time the people had expected Elijah to return to prepare Messiah's way, and John the Baptist had actually claimed to be the forerunner. So, the people were thinking in terms of the Messiah, but it was left to Peter to make the great discovery.

When Jesus asked the disciples what they thought, Peter said, "You are the Messiah." That confession meant much more to him than we can imagine. The word means the "anointed one," the one chosen by God to accomplish God's will with his people. Most Jews of that time expected the Messiah to lead them to overcome their enemies and restore the glory of the Davidic kingdom. Who could be a better leader than this young teacher who could heal disease and feed the hungry? But Jesus responded by warning them not to tell anybody what they had discovered.

## REBUKING THE TEMPTER (vv. 31-33)

Now that the disciples had reached this point, Jesus must have felt it was time to lead them further into understanding the work of the Messiah. Instead of a crown, victory, and acclamation, Jesus said he would be rejected by the religious leaders and would be killed. The disciples may have been so shocked that they did not hear him say he would rise again.

As Jesus made it plain what he expected to endure, Peter took him aside "to rebuke him." He had his own idea about the Messiah, and he did not want it disturbed. Tradition

was more important than the words of Messiah himself. Perhaps he feared that fanaticism, idealism, or self-pity had led Jesus to distort his sense of purpose. Whatever it was, Jesus turned away from him and said: "Satan, you think like men and not like God!" The very man who had just made the great discovery now became Jesus' adversary because he was urging Jesus to forsake God's interpretation of the Messiah. Two other passages in Mark (8:30-32 and 10:32-35) show that the disciples did not accept that view.

## CHALLENGING THE FOLLOWERS (vv. 34-38)

If verse 27 means that Jesus raised the identity question while he and the disciples were walking along the road, the setting of verse 34 could be a village where they stopped. Any way, "the people" were there, and Jesus talked to them and to his close followers about the hard requirements for real discipleship. To deny self does not mean giving up some comfort or habit; it means changing self-centeredness to God-centeredness. Taking up one's cross is more than enduring some handicap or disaster; it is another way of saying that self is giving way to God. This is essential to daily following Christ.

In verses 35-37 one Greek word is translated two ways: "life" and "soul." It means a person's real being what he really is. This is not a contrast between "soul" and "life." Jesus was saying that measuring life by personal security above other values will mean losing one's real self. But using up oneself for the Master's sake is a sure way to preserve that self.

## Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

# Willing To Sacrifice Self

Exodus 3:1-6; 32:30-34; Deut. 32:48-52

By Bill Duncan

Life is a calculated risk. Yet, everyday we meet people who are willing to sacrifice themselves for the sake of others or a worthy cause.

Cowardice asks, "Is it safe?" Experience asks, "Is it proven?" Pride asks, "Is it popular?" Greed asks, "Is it profitable?" Doubt asks, "Is it practical?" Conscience asks, "Is it right?" Christians ask, "Is it God's will?"

I remember one day when my secretary called and said, "Joe (not his name) is in the hospital and the doctor has just come in and told him he has TB. The family is very upset." We had not had many cases of TB diagnosed in recent years. But I remembered the years of heartache when families suffered with their loved ones. I stopped what I was doing and went over to the hospital. At the nurse's desk, I asked if Joe was in isolation and she said he was. Then came the time of decision. Was I to go in and visit with the patient? I breathed a prayer asking for direction and felt it God's will for me to go in and pray with and for the patient. After the visit I was advised by the family to get a doctor's check-up, etc. I did not feel it was necessary. At that time and point, I felt it was God's

will for me to risk the chance under precaution.

This may have been a typical day in the life of a busy pastor. You know of risks that you have faced. What is it in you that makes you willing to sacrifice yourself for others? Our history books abound with names of persons who were willing to sacrifice self.

Have you ever thought of the risk that Moses had to take in order to fulfill the mission God had for him? Moses was willing to sacrifice ease, security and solitude to relieve his people of the suffering of slavery.

Concern is the basis for risk. Genuine concern always results in action. Misguided concern can result in wrong action. It did in the case of Moses when he killed the Egyptian and buried him in the sand. But concern that is right will lead one even to risk his life.

"Moses was a man whose life was marked by the dimension of true goodness and greatness." The call of God was for Moses a task that shocks us in our day. He was confronted with an undertaking which resulted in a drama of conflict, struggle, doubt and fear. Yet, because he had faith to believe that God was faithful, he was able to accomplish "great things for God."

The burning bush experience shows us the supreme concern God has for one person and the compassionate purpose of God toward one life. God captured the attention of Moses and

turned him in the right direction. God stirred the concern of Moses for his people. He could not forget his true family in need.

The commitment of Moses to go and lead the people of Israel out of Egypt was expressed in his faith. The decision of commitment to God's will will leave no room for mere well-wishing and empty professionalism and part-time participation. The sheer impossibility of the task, from the human standpoint, brought forth the reaction of doubt and protest. Moses' final faith in the presence of God and the assurances of His pledge overcome his doubt and protests.

Assurance is necessary in overcoming obstacles. The assurance of the risen Lord is the antidote to an overwhelming sense of personal inadequacy. A vital relationship to the Lord helps one to be adequate for the most difficult days.

Dr. J. Hardee Kennedy said in his book *The Commission of Moses and the Christian Calling*:

"Reduced to essence, this was the two-phase answer of God to the complaint of Moses that his niggardly talent was unequal to his colossal task: It is God's prerogative to provide the talent; it is man's part to perform the task. It is man's privilege to dedicate all that he has received; it is God's pleasure to consecrate all that he has given."

Frank Holliday Ferris said: "It is man's business to do the will of God."

It is God's business to take care of that man.

And therefore a man should never be afraid of anything."

Moses finally surrendered and obeyed God's will. We see that he surrendered to the call without complete understanding of its implications for the future. Yet, the enormity of the task commanded, and the extreme cost of obedience in the faithful performance of it, were never minimized, camouflaged, or denied by God. There was a risk.

The end of Moses' life does not read like a storybook: We started with the baby in the basket and end on Mt. Nebo, rejected. He had led the people out of bondage, through 40 years of wandering and now he was not allowed to enter. Was his life a failure? Moses did not think so. When he sinned by striking the rock in anger, rather than speaking to the rock, God told him he would not be allowed to enter the Land of Promise. When he reached the border, he accepted God's judgment and offered no argument.

One moment of impatience denied Moses the joy he so much desired. This was not unfair. It was a part of the will of God. In his meekness, he had so completely surrendered himself to God's will that God's will was his will.

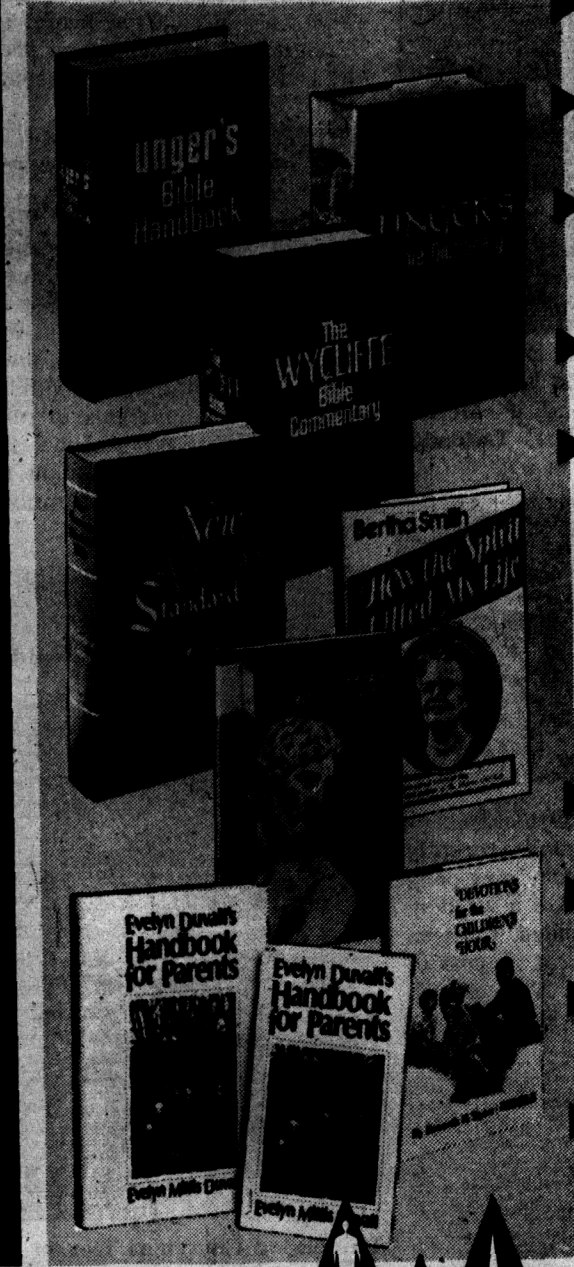
Effective service for others will always require us to subordinate our personal security for the welfare of those we serve. We can seldom accomplish anything worthwhile for others if our basic objective is to keep ourselves safe from criticism or opposition. In order really to serve we have to risk "getting our hands dirty."

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## Smith County Makes Plans For Mid-Winter Bible Conference



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A Mid-Winter Bible Conference, sponsored by Smith County Association, will be held January 19-22 at First Church, Raleigh.

Conferences will be held each night, Sunday-Wednesday, at 7, and Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday mornings at 10.

Dr. Earl Kelly, executive secretary-treasurer, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will lead studies in the book of the Revelation. Dr. Joe Tuten, pastor of Calvary Church, Jackson, will lead studies in the servant passages of the book of Isaiah.

Dr. Harper Shannon, pastor, Huffman Church, Birmingham, Alabama, will bring the inspirational messages. Martha Branham, Southern Baptist concert soprano, Dallas, Texas, will be guest singer.

Special conferences will be held at night for children, ages 6-12. A nursery will be provided for the night conferences.

Rev. Charlie Bryant, Smith County superintendent of missions, is director of the conference. Rev. W. C. Burns, pastor at Taylorsville, will be the music director.

Rev. Doyle Caples is moderator of Smith Association.

## Carey To Offer Free Bible Courses

William Carey College will again offer two free evening Bible courses beginning with the spring semester, January 23.

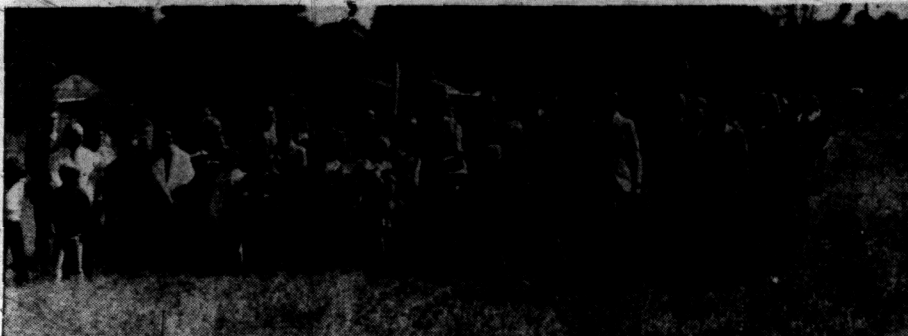
New Testament Survey will be taught by Dr. Jerry Oswalt, chaplain of the college and professor of religion. *The Life and Letters of Paul* will be taught by Dr. Don Stewart, chairman of the department of religion. Both classes will meet on Thursday evenings for three hours, from 6 until 9 PM, beginning on January 23.



## Note Burnings And Ground Breakings



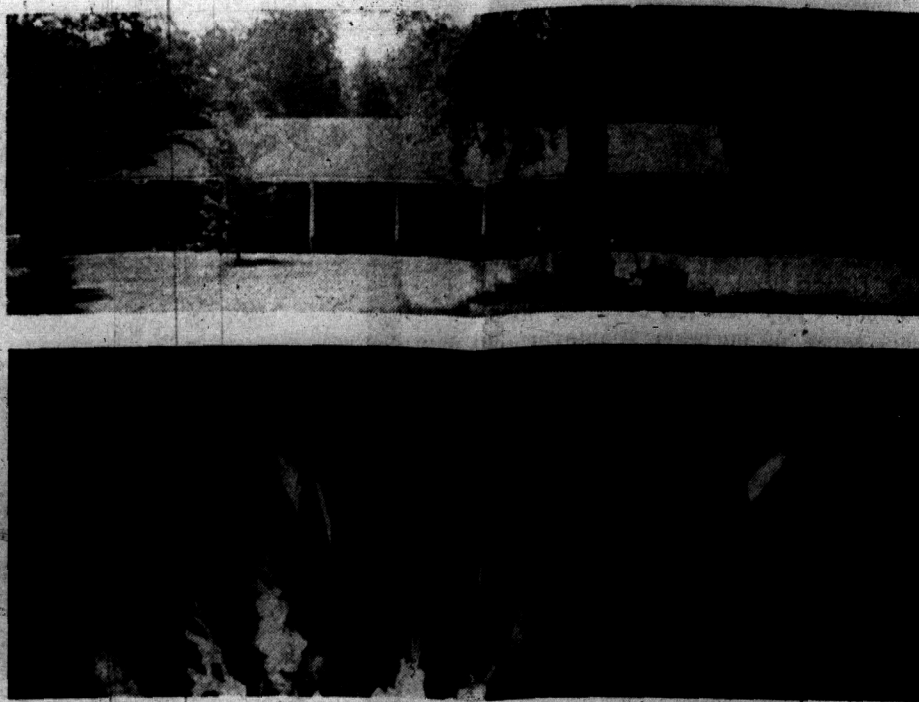
First Church, New Albany, held groundbreaking ceremonies on December 8. The new building will have Sunday School rooms, a chapel and music suite. The building committee from left to right are: John Ray Cobb, J. P. McGee, Rev. W. F. Evans, pastor, Grover Moore, Mrs. W. T. Cornelius, Talmadge Littlejohn, and Warren Cooper. Construction is now underway.



West Jackson Church, Jackson, held ground breaking ceremonies recently for a complex housing a regulation basketball court, skating rink, ping-pong tables and many other forms of recreation for all age groups. Also a kitchen, office, fellowship area, baths and showers, are to be included. Corkern Construction Company of Jackson was awarded the contract at a cost of \$92,196. The building is scheduled for completion by Feb. 15. The church recently called Rev. Larry Lawrence as activities director. Rev. Dewitt Mitchell is pastor.



The Bel Aire Church of Gulfport held a Groundbreaking ceremony on December 1 for a combination sanctuary-education building. Part of the Building Committee is shown (left to right): Jim Kenreck; John White; Mrs. Carls Ferguson; Ralph Gray, chairman; Ray Morris; Rev. Kenneth E. Walters, pastor; and Pete Payne.



Calvary Church, Silver Creek, burned the note November 24, on their three-bedroom parsonage, top photo. The house, bought in 1970, was paid for in July, 1974, ten months before maturity date. (Yet Calvary continues to lead in contributions to missions.) Dr. James McLemore, former pastor, now pastor at 38th Avenue, Hattiesburg, was guest speaker. Mrs. Charlotte Ready of Monticello brought special music. Left to right, bottom photo, are Dr. McLemore; Rev. Tommy Clay, pastor; Kelly Miller, treasurer; J. P. Cassels; and James May.



Heidelberg Church is free of all indebtedness and the note was burned recently. Heidelberg moved the old church from the present site and built a new church in 1948. In 1962 an educational annex was added and in 1968 a new parsonage purchased. Nov. 3 was a day of celebration and homecoming. Left to right in picture (burning note): Jewell Smith, Chairman of trustees, Rev. J. W. Tynes, pastor for past 17 years, and Mrs. John Clayton, treasurer.

### Pastor Writes On Deacons For Magazine

Rev. Jerry W. Stevens, pastor of First Church, Nicholson, is author of an article in the January-February-March issue of "The Deacon" magazine.

azine titled "No Joke, Deacons Are OK!"

When Rev. Stevens entered the ministry five years ago he was chairman of the deacons at Saltillo Church. He is a candidate for the master of divinity degree from New Orleans Seminary in March.



Morgan Chapel (Oktibbeha) (top-photo) held a note burning ceremony November 20. Two years ago the entire building was renovated and a fellowship hall with kitchen was built. Central heat and air were installed; new carpets and drapes were bought, as well as new cushions for the pews; a new baptistry and a pastor's study were added; and concrete sidewalks were constructed. The noteburning (bottom photo), in conjunction with a Harvest Supper, signified that all these new features are now paid for.

Rev. Eddie M. Brady has been pastor of the church since February, 1974. A native of Bay Springs, he graduated from Southwestern last spring. He and his wife have a new baby daughter.

Rev. Bob Rouse was pastor at the time the building was renovated. Burning the note, front row, are Cecil Carpenter, deacon and building committee chairman; Rev. Eddie M. Brady, pastor; Auvergne Jackson, treasurer; and back row: Deacons Barrot Morgan, Bud Gillis, Jack Henry, and Terrell Morgan.

### Carey Chorale On Winter Tour

William Carey College's outstanding Carey College Chorale, under the direction of Dr. Donald Winters, began its annual 15-day winter tour on January 2. Performing throughout Mississippi, Alabama and Florida, the 50-voice choir will sing for both church and school audiences. There will be one performance in Arkansas.

Mississippi performances will include First, Booneville; East Heights Church, Tupelo; Highland, Laurel;

Northminster Church, Jackson; and First, Leland.

Twenty-five of the 1974-75 Chorale members hold positions as choir director, accompanist, or soloist in various churches in the Hattiesburg area. A large percentage of Chorale members traditionally begin graduate studies immediately upon completion of their undergraduate work at William Carey College. Many former members have earned doctorates and are teaching in colleges and universities in the South.

The Carey Chorale dates from 1956 when Dr. Donald Winters came to the college from a position in the School of Music at Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky.

### MC Gets \$1,000 From Gulf Oil

The department of Mathematics at Mississippi College has received a \$1,000 grant from the Gulf Oil Foundation.

to be used toward new equipment for the department.

Dr. Lewis Nobles, president, and Dr. Wendell Deer, head of the department of mathematics, accepted the grant from Dale Miller, Gulf retail marketer, and Lance Gremillion,

sales supervisor, in a meeting at the college.

According to Dr. Deer, the grant will be applied toward the purchase of a graphic display computer terminal for use by his department and other areas of the college family.

### Devotional

#### Longer Cords And Deeper Stakes

By Earl Kelly, Executive Secretary-Treasurer Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

"Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes..." (Isa. 54:2).

Mississippi Baptists must enlarge the tent of the Lord to offer soul shelter for the hordes of lost people throughout the world. In lengthening the cords and strengthening the stakes three things are imperative. They are prayer, pay and persons.

Our enlarged program of missions must be undergirded, overarched, and hedged about with honest, sincere, intelligent, and fervent prayer. It is a serious and sobering thought that the eternal welfare of the peoples of the world depends upon the prayers of God's people, but it is true. To attempt the task of evangelizing the world without divine guidance and power of God that can come only through prayer would be to mimic Uzzah, who in a sense of self-importance, self-assurance, and by his own initiative sought to assure the safety and success of the ark of God after the wisdom of God had been ignored.

Mississippi Baptists need folded hands, bowed heads, and bended knees. Several years ago I watched a group of men erect a circus tent. One man got on his knees and held the stake while another stood above him and wielded a sledge. The power for deepening the stake came from above but only after the one holding the stake had knelt.

There are those Baptists that seem to revere missions, but when it comes to paying, their adoration becomes a hollow mockery. No Christian has the right to encourage a missionary to "keep up" unless he is willing to refuel him while he is in the air. Mississippi Baptists have a vehicle at their finger tips to send all the needed supplies to the battlefronts that are being fought for Christ. The vehicle is the Cooperative Program. Needed money will not reach the mission field in time to win the battle unless every Baptist gives more through his church and then insists that his church channel a larger share of its funds through the Cooperative Program.

Someone must take the cords out to the neglected areas and drive the stakes to which they will be tied. Missions requires men and women. Why should there ever be a vacancy on any mission field if we are truly prayerful believers? Someone may say, "But I have never felt any compelling call to give my life in such a manner." Let me ask that someone a question. The question is this: "Are you sure that you are within calling distance?"



### The More Important Consideration

by Joe W. Burton

As one thinks about the present proposal to change the name of the Southern Baptist Convention he will almost surely conclude that this incidental amounts to a preoccupation with trivialities.

Certainly the primary objective of any body of Christians is not to find a proper geographical or theological designation. The significant challenge to a body of Christians is not to find the name by which they shall be designated.

Rather, it is important to live up to the great Name by which they have been called. Living up to that Name is at least implied in the apt title which W. O. Carver gave to his thrilling exposition of Ephesians,

The Glory of God in the Christian Calling. We have been, and are called Christians. Our challenge is to live up to that name.

Do we live up in doctrine? In practice? In behavior?

It is not really very important whether we shall be known as the Southern Baptist Convention, or by any other self-approved term. Really, the significance of a name is earned by a way of life, by demonstrated traits of identification, by living proof and spirit.

To be preoccupied with official designation is seemingly to be oblivious to vital responsibility. Our challenge now is not so much to find a suitable name as it is to be worthy of the Name by which Christians have ever been called.

### All-Day Seminar Planned At N. O. Hospital

Dr. Myron C. Madden, director of the department of pastoral care, Southern Baptist Hospital in New Orleans, will lead an all-day seminar for the enrichment of clergy and laymen, January 14, in the Hospital auditorium.

He has chosen for his subject, "Our Emotional Transactions: How We Bargain, Vow and Pay."

The seminar is the fifth in a series sponsored by the Pastoral Care and Counseling Center of Baptist Hospital. Dr. Madden is supervisor of the Center and Chaplain Robert E. Pearce its director.

Pastors and laymen are urged to make reservations for the seminar through Chaplain Pearce at (504) 899-9311, Ext. 230. Hours of the program are from 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., and registration fee is \$15.00.

## Off The Record

"Doc, tell me in plain words exactly what's wrong with me."

"Alright, in plain words, you are just lazy," said the doctor.

"Now, Doctor," the patient replied, "give me the medical term to tell my friends."

A highway patrolman observed a trucker on the road ahead alight from his cab and with a heavy mallet tap the side of his truck vigorously on all sides and then get back in and drive on. Still following the truck some distance behind, he saw the man repeat the performance. When this happened the third time the patrolman could not withhold his curiosity any longer and stopped the trucker to ask just what he was doing.

Upon being questioned, the trucker said, "You know just around the next corner is a weight station?"

"Yes," said the patrolman, knowing there was one there.

"Well," said the trucker, "I've got a five-ton truck here loaded with six tons of canaries, and I've just got to be sure a ton of them are still flying when I get to that weight station."

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